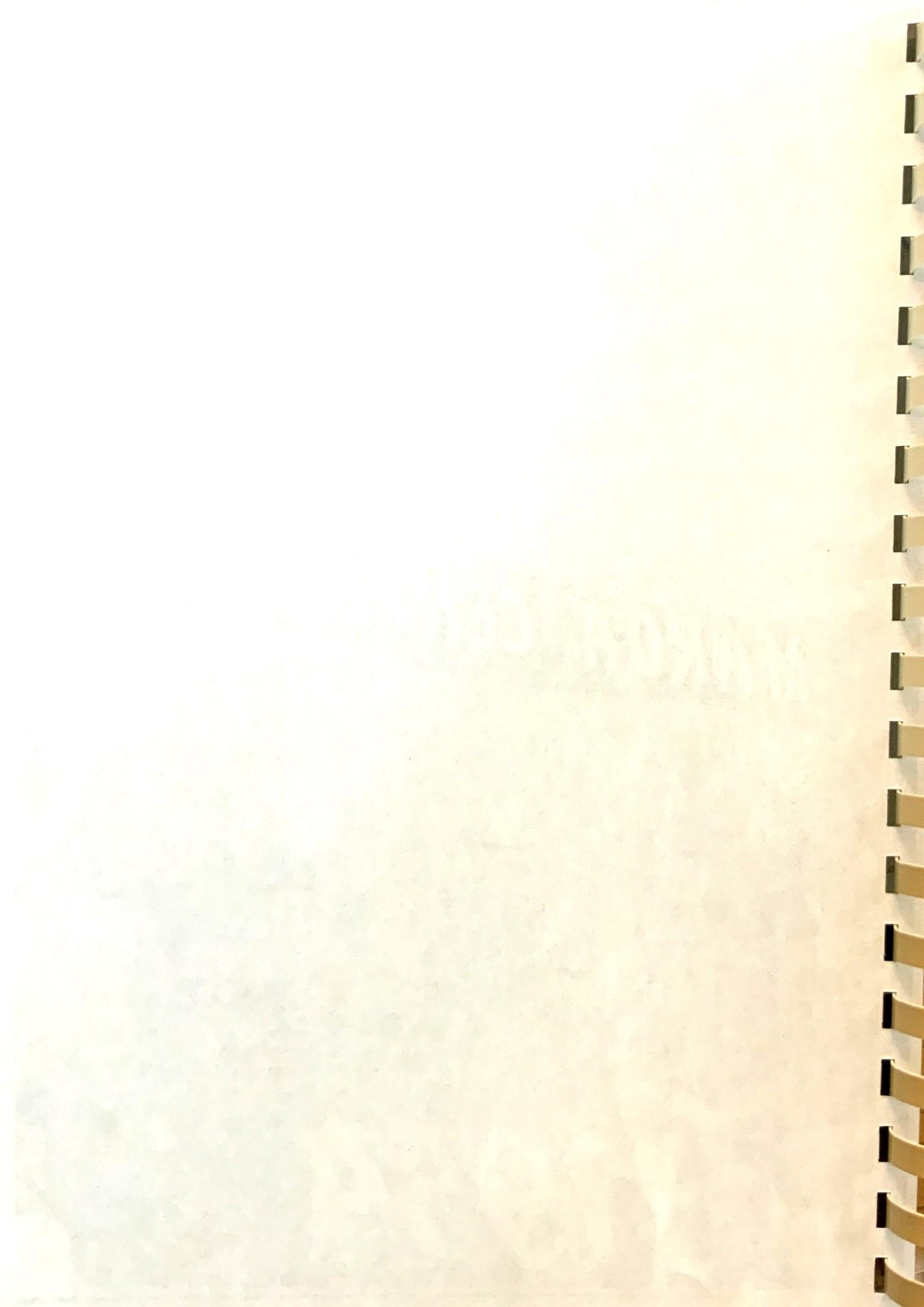


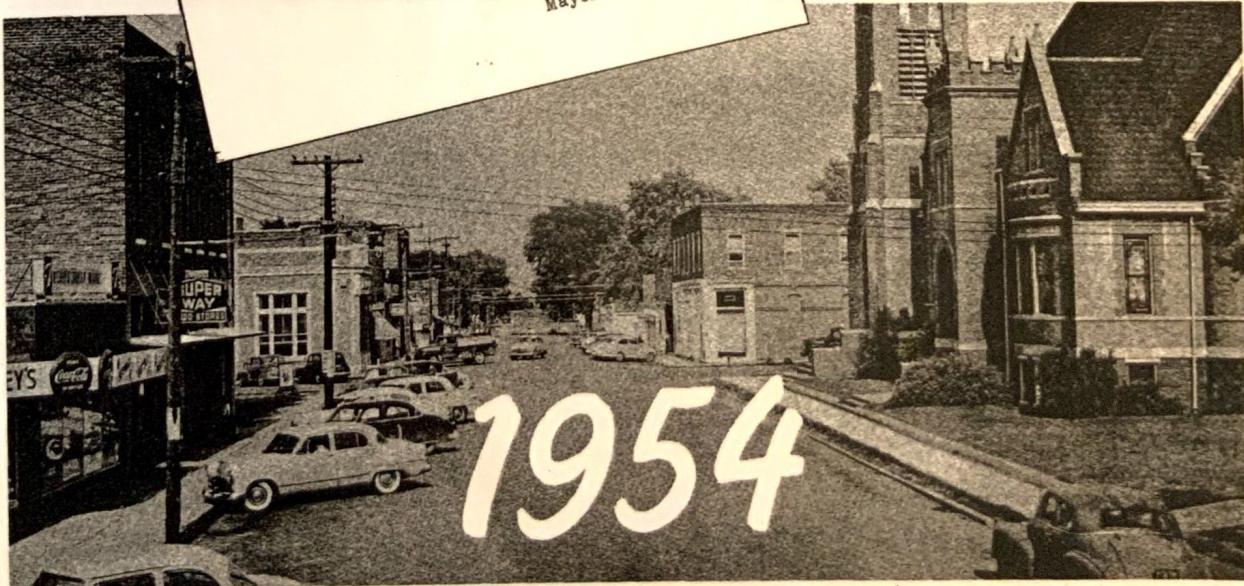
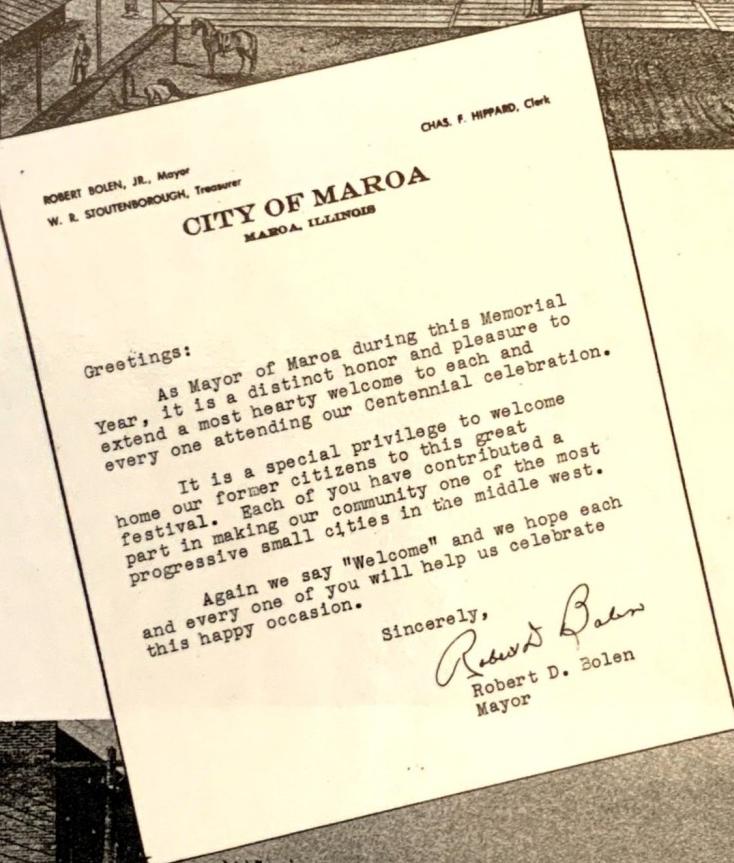


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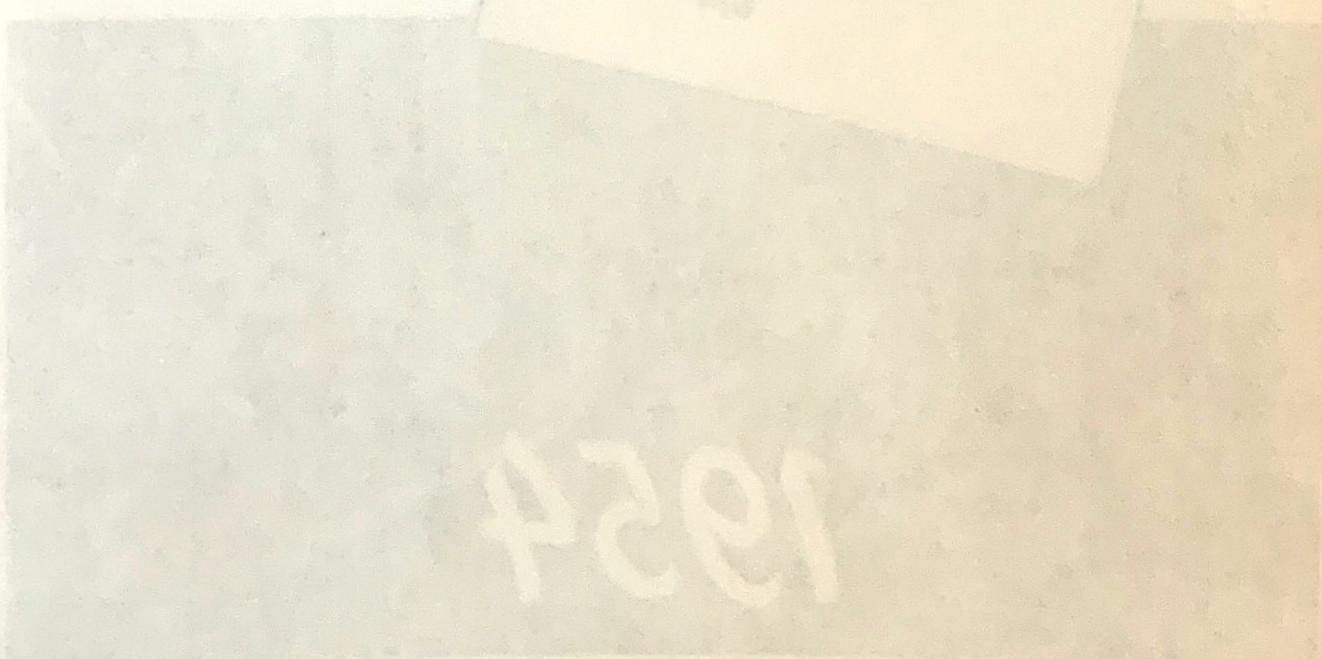




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SEPTEMBER 23, 24, 25, 1954

MAROA, ILLINOIS



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The Honorable Robert D. Belch, Jr.
Mayor of Marion
Marion, Illinois

John Brown



THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

April 26, 1954

Dear Mayor Bolen:

My warm greetings go to all residents of Maroa on the occasion of their forthcoming centennial celebration.

Please convey to them my congratulations on this significant anniversary and my hope that all residents of this fine community will enjoy prosperity and happiness in these times and throughout future years.

Sincerely,

David W. Ream Jr.

The Honorable Robert D. Bolen, Jr.
Mayor of Maroa
Maroa, Illinois

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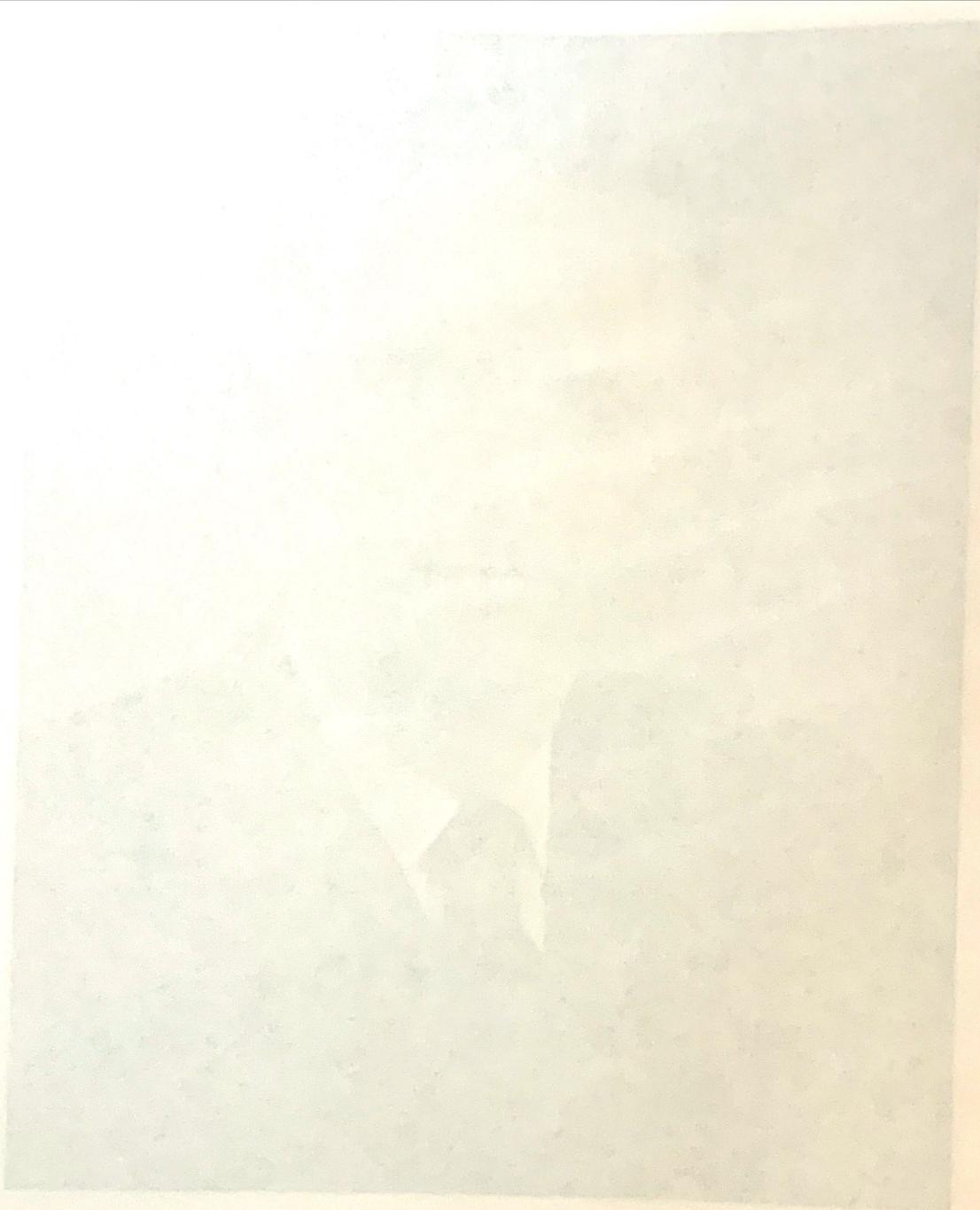
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EDWARD R. HARRIS

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PREFACE

This book is an effort to lead our thinking back across the years, from 1954 to 1854 and beyond, that we might in our own minds see the country as it looked to our pioneer forefathers. By comparing our standards of living with theirs, by comparing our present day advantages with their handicaps, hardships and discouragements, we might not only more fully appreciate what we enjoy today, but give them the just credit and honor which they deserve for laying the foundation for our present city and community in a land that to many, in their day, seemed absolutely worthless.

As we ride along the countryside and see the farmer rolling up and down the fields on his tractor, turning the good earth with two, three and four bottom plows, do we stop to think about how this prairie soil was first turned by single plows pulled by sleepy-eyed slow moving oxen?

As we look across the well kept fields at the even rows of growing grain, can we visualize this land as a land of sloughs and swamps covered with a rank growth of wild grass, infested with huge swarms of black flies, disease and rattlesnakes, and at times growing so high that it would hide a man on horseback?

It was thought that such land could never be cultivated and would be used only for grazing. Gradually the settlers ventured farther out into the open country, draining the swamps first by open ditches and then by a system of tile ditches. This brought more settlers to the country but the real growth did not begin until the railroads brought the markets closer. Then towns began to grow and business to expand.

By our presentation of Maroa's early history and growth, we are trying to help the present and future generations appreciate more deeply what we have today and to deepen their gratitude for the generations that have gone before us.

It was they who conquered this strange land with little more than their courage and their bare hands. It was they who faced nature and the bitter elements, who fought smallpox, typhoid fever, malaria and ague, diseases that are almost unknown today. It was a time when men and women died young and infant mortality was extremely high. But they conquered all obstacles and we are now reaping the results of their toil and sacrifices, their tribulations and hardships and their indomitable courage.

So to our Pioneer Forefathers: We salute you in the words of the poet:

Then, reigned a rude and simple rustic grace,
And, now Refinement sits with smiling face,
A hundred comforts fill our daily store
To one that blessed the pioneer of yore.
His life is past, his labor all is done,
And now we reap the harvest that he won.

PREFACE

It is a well known fact that the best way to learn a language is to speak it. This is true of all languages, but it is particularly true of English, because it is a language which has been used by millions of people for centuries, and therefore contains many words and expressions which are not found in any other language. In this book, however, we have chosen to use only the most common words and expressions, so that even a child can understand them easily.

There are two main reasons why we have chosen to use only the most common words and expressions. The first reason is that these words are the easiest to learn, and the second reason is that they are the most useful in everyday life. These words are also the easiest to remember, because they are repeated frequently, and they are the easiest to use in conversation, because they are the easiest to pronounce.

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MAROA CENTENNIAL OFFICERS

Maroa, Illinois

1884.

Dedication

To those early pioneers of Maroa and community who, by their courage, industry and faith made it possible for the people of today to proudly celebrate 100 years of progress.

To all those who have, do now, or ever state with pride "Maroa is my home," this brief history is sincerely dedicated.

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MAROA CENTENNIAL OFFICERS

Maroa, Illinois

1954



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Treasurer



ROBERT D. BOLEN
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Secretary



Mrs. Roy Stoutenborough
Publicity



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Advertising



Mrs. Geo. E. Gentle
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Brothers of the Brush



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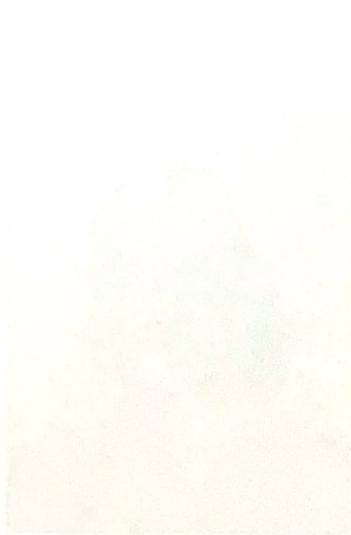


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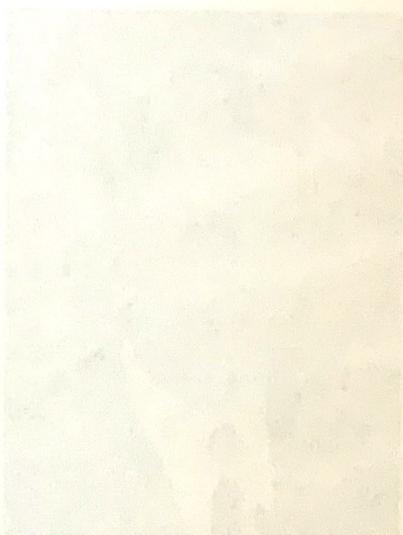
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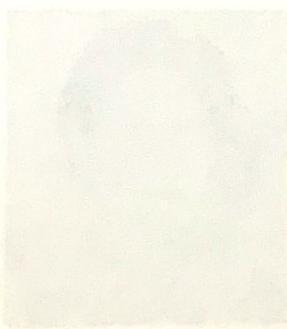
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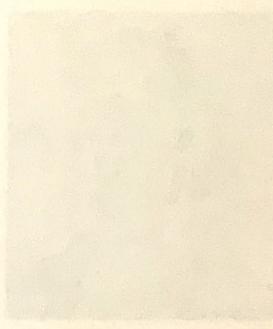
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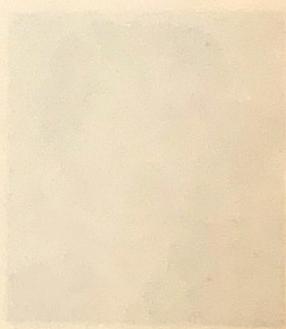
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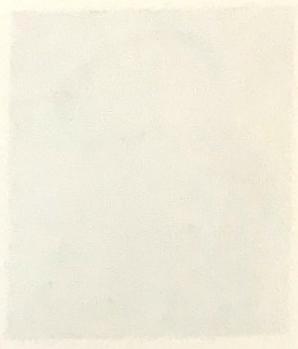
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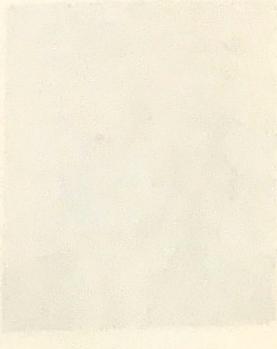
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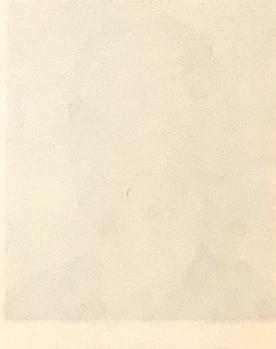
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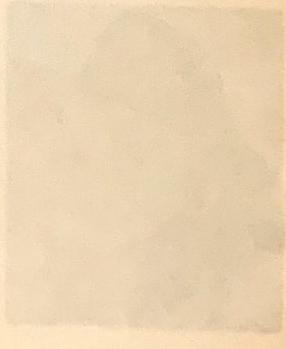
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Children's Activities



David Catlin
Children's Activities



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Hugh Peck
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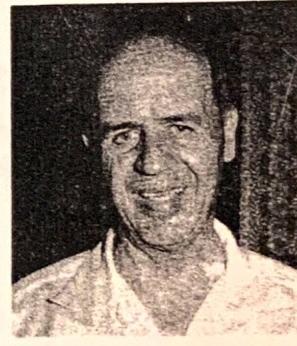
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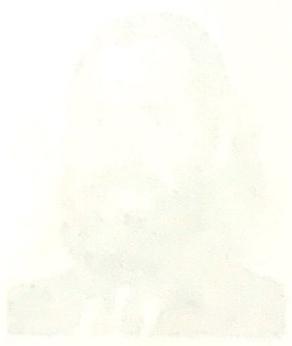
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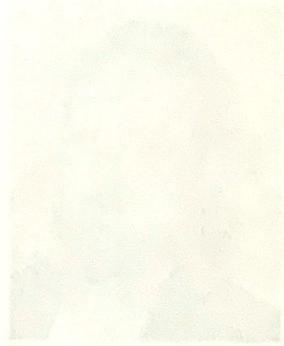


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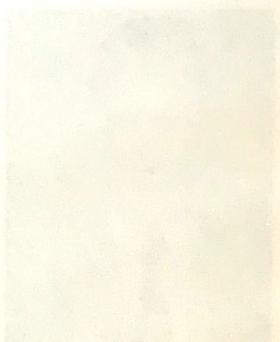
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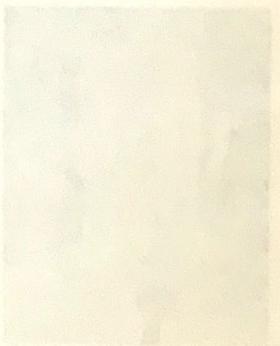
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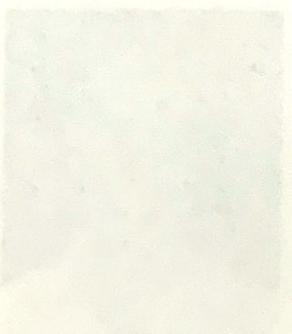
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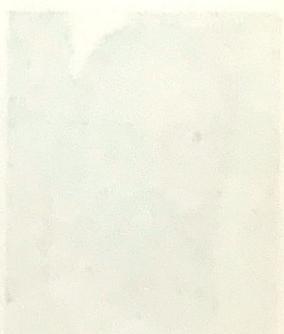
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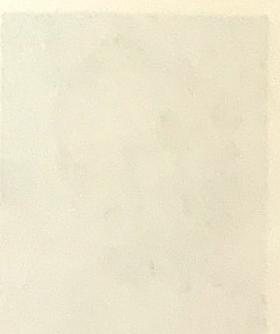
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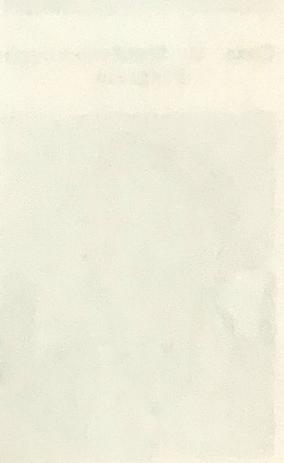
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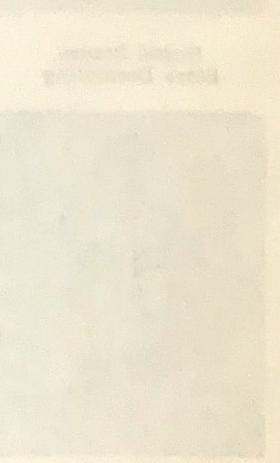
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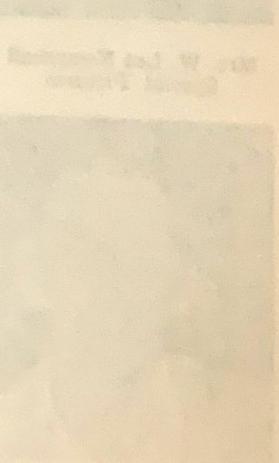
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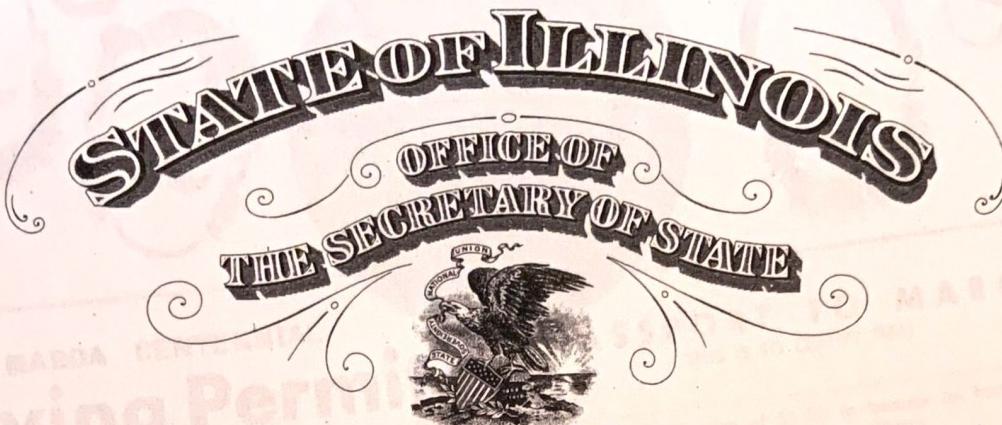


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To all to whom these Presents Shall Come, Greeting:

Whereas, Articles of Incorporation duly signed and verified of

MAROA CENTENNIAL COMMITTEE

have been filed in the Office of the Secretary of State on the 20th
day of July A.D. 1954, as provided by the "GENERAL NOT
FOR PROFIT CORPORATION ACT" of Illinois, approved July 17, 1943, in force COST
\$1.00 EACH
January 1, A.D. 1944.

Now Therefore I, CHARLES F. CARPENTIER, Secretary of State of the State of Illinois,
by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby issue this Certificate of
Incorporation and attach thereto a copy of the Articles of Incorporation
of the aforesaid corporation.

In Testimony Whereof, I hereto set my hand and cause to

be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Illinois.

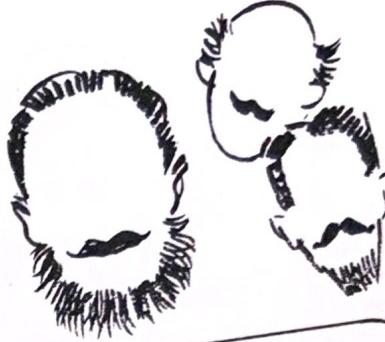
Done at the City of Springfield this 20th

day of July AD. 1954, and

of the Independence of the United States

the one hundred and 79th.

Charles F. Carpenter
SECRETARY OF STATE



MAROA CENTENNIAL Shaving Permit

Effective Feb 15 to Sept 25
No.

SHAVING PERMITS SOLD FOR
\$5.00 EACH



DRESS PERMITS COST
\$1.00 EACH

MAROA COMMUNITY CENTENNIAL SISTERS of the SWISH \$1.00

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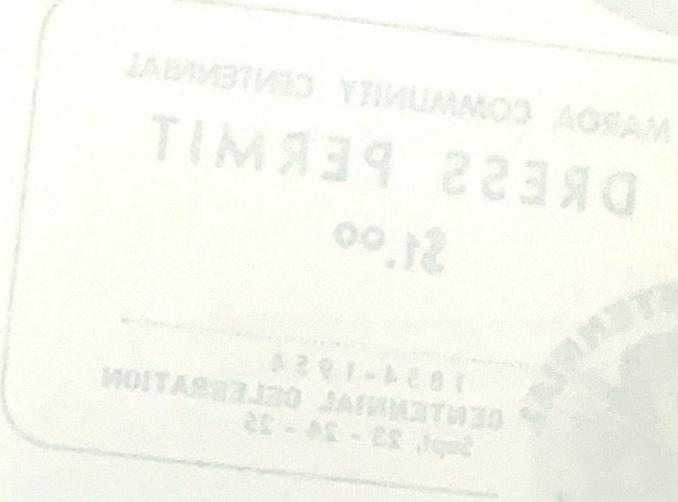
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CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION
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Sisters of the Swish cost \$1.00 each. Every woman 18 years or older residing within boundary or taking part in the Maroa Centennial must join the Sisters of the Swish. The membership entitles the wearing of cosmetics. After April 15 a fine of 25c was imposed if they did not have the permit.

Dress Permit cost \$1.00. The Dress Permit became effective September 1st and anyone not wearing a long dress and not having a dress permit was fined 25c. After 2 offenses and fines of 25c each, the offender will be thrown in the city jail and will be released only after a pedestrian pays the fine set by the judge. No relatives permitted to pay the fine.



DRESS PERMIT

\$1.00

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JULY 28 - 28 - 28

Department of Revenue
Maboa Community Center
is pleased to announce that
it has issued its first
Dress Permit. This permit
will be valid for one year
and will be issued to
anyone who wishes to
purchase a ticket for
the annual Maboa
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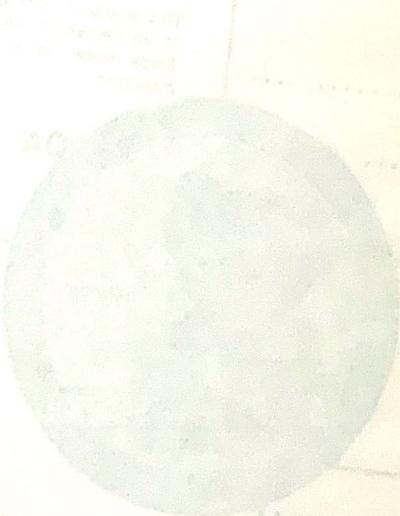
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MABOA COMMUNITY CENTER

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INFORMATION REGARDING MAP ON OPPOSITE PAGE

The map on the opposite page was presented by Mr. John W. Hobbs of Springfield, Illinois. He located this map several years ago when searching through some of the early manuscript collections that are at the Illinois State Museum. This information is most interesting in that it proves that the name of "Maroa" did exist in 1673.

The original of the map is in the Archives of the College Sainte - Marie, Montreal, Canada. A reproduction can be found in the Illinois State Museum.

In 1672 a Frenchman by the name of Jean Talon decided to send Louis Joliet to discover and explore the great river and to ascertain into what sea it discharged. Late in 1672 Joliet joined Father Jacques Marquette. The Mississippi River was reached in the spring of 1673, and was explored nearly to the mouth of the Arkansas River. Fearing to go further south and encounter possible capture by the Spaniards, and having reached the decision that the mouth of the Mississippi was not far distant, the party turned back.

Father Marquette went to Green Bay and remained there and it was there that he made this map of the Indian Villages of the Illinois Country. It is listed as "The Marquette Map of 1673-1674." Joliet continued on to Montreal. Near Montreal all of his papers were lost in a river accident from which he barely escaped with his life. Father Marquette's map is the only existing autograph record of the voyage down the Mississippi by one of the participants.

The names inscribed on the said map are not those of Indian villages, but represent as ex-

plained on the map itself the "nom des Indiens dans les terres" (i. e. name of the Indians in the hinter lands). Thence the name "Maroa" on the Marquette map stands for the hunting territory of the Maroa Indians or rather the "Tamaroa."

It appears certain, beyond all doubt, that the word "Maroa" is derived from Tamaroa, one of the tribes of the Illinois or Illiniwek Confederacy. At any rate, Maroa belonged to the Confederacy. At the time of Marquette's voyage in 1673, the Tamaroa were living on the Mississippi about the mouths of Missouri and Illinois rivers. They apparently claimed a territorial strip from the Belleville-St. Louis-Alton area northeast or E.N.E. across Illinois.

It does seem likely that the village of Maroa was named for the tribe of the Illinois, though probably not for any particular Indian village. It is hard to believe the tradition that the early settlers put a lot of letters of the alphabet in a hat and came out with the name of "Maroa," when it is shown on the Marquette map made in 1673-1674.

The above information was obtained from Mr. John W. Hobbs, Springfield, Illinois; Mr. Thorne Deuel, Director of the Illinois State Museum; Antoine Roy, Archivist, Provincial Museum, Quebec, Canada, and Monsieur l'abbe Honorius Provost, Assistant Archiviste, Seminaire de Quebec, Quebec, Canada.

The copy of the map located at the State Museum in Springfield, Illinois can be found on Plate V, Marquette's map of 1673-1674. Part I, Vol. II Scientific Paper Series is listed as Indian Villages of the Illinois Country.

MAROA

Deep in the heart of the Prairie
In a spot graced by God,
Lies the beautiful town of Maroa
In the land of the goldenrod.

Her song is the laughter of children,
Her hope is her daily toil,
Her faith is the spirit of brotherhood,
Her Godsend, the good black soil.

Always and always she'll be there
For Maroa will never die
The jewel in the heart of the
corn belt
With eyes toward God in the sky.

By Arthur Wayne Gray

THE EARLY HISTORY OF MAROA

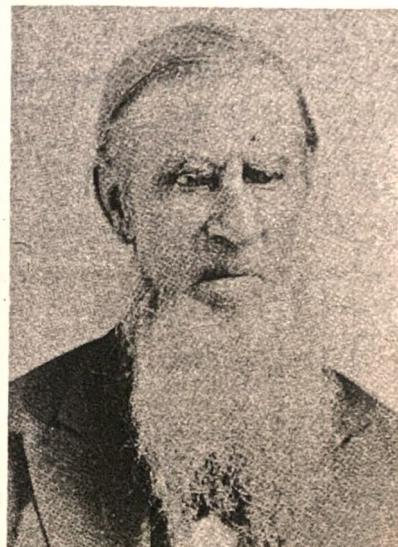
The first house erected within the present limits of Macon County was the "Trading House," built by a Mr. Lorton in 1816 for the purpose of trading with the Indians. By 1825 the Indians did not come to this part of the country in any great numbers any more so the Lortons went back to Michigan.

The second house also was occupied for only a short time and the first really permanent residence was built by Buel Stevens, three miles northwest of Decatur, on Steven's Creek. This was the beginning of the Steven's Settlement. The Ward Settlement was later formed on the south side of the Sangamon River and these were the only settlements until 1828.

During that year, however, there was a wave of immigration and many more settlements grew up along the Sangamon. People settled only along water courses in the edge of the timber where wood and water were available. They did not think that the prairies could ever be cultivated. There were many marshy places which were so infested with flies and other insects that they could be crossed only with a team and at night. Also on account of the rank grass and tough sod, it seemed that the prairies were fit only for grazing. There were no plows for breaking the sod.

Another difficulty in improving the land was the labor and cost of fencing. The Supreme Court of Illinois, thinking the State would always be a great pasture, required every man to fence his entire farm to keep his neighbor's stock out, and thus protect his crops. The fences cost much more than the land acquired from the government.

Other things detrimental to rapid development were the spec-



Joseph Simpson Clough (1800-1884) was born in Yorkshire, England. He married Anna Makin and they came to America in 1829, to Illinois in 1831, and to Macon Co. in 1856. Mr. Clough was a cabinet maker and furniture dealer.

ulator, who bought up large quantities of land to hold for higher prices, and the great distance to markets.

Wolf hunts were a common practice. Since they were destructive animals, a bounty of one dollar was paid for each wolf scalp

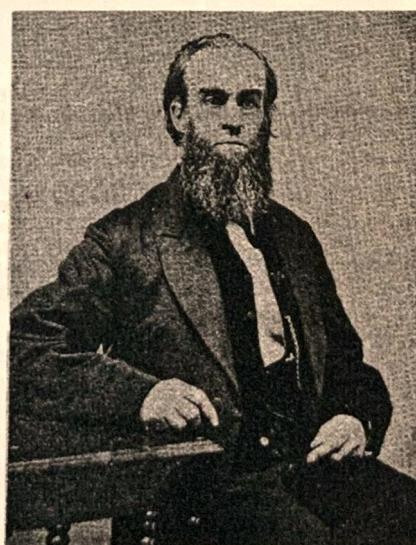
taken to the clerk of the county court. Deer and fox hunting were also customary.

There was little in the way of entertainment for the early settlers and all "get-togethers" were big events. When court convened nearly every one went to town to see and hear what was going on. They gathered in the taverns to hear stories told by judges, lawyers and citizens alike.

The arrival of the mail was not a very important event, except



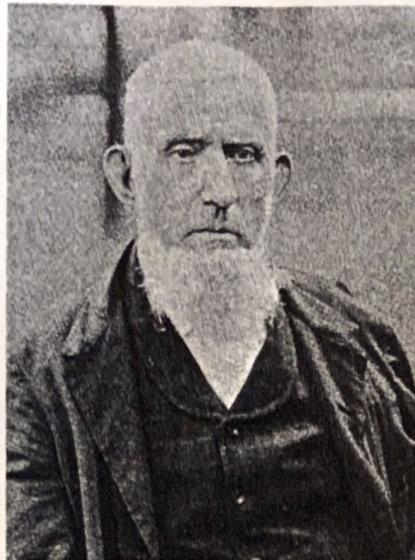
Dr. William Thomas McLean was born in Harrison Co., Kentucky in 1858. He came to Maroa with his parents in 1865. After graduating from Rush Medical College he practiced one year in Warrensburg and then returned to Maroa where he practiced for more than sixty years, retiring at the age of 86. His wife, Margaret, was a daughter of John H. Crocker. Dr. McLean died in 1948.



Dr. John Wesley Thayer was born in Boston, Mass. in 1824. He married Catherine Clough of Morgan Co., Ill. They came to Maroa in 1856. He had attended Medical College in Jacksonville, Ill. After practicing for several years, he attended Rush Medical College and returned to Maroa after graduating. He died in 1874.

after elections. Postage on a letter was twenty-five cents and, according to law, could be paid at either end of the route. It was not always easy for a man to raise the necessary funds to claim his mail.

Macon County was organized in 1829 and included all of the present DeWitt County except the northern tier of townships, all of Piatt County except one township, and about half of Moultrie County. In 1839 DeWitt County was formed and Niantic Township was added to Macon County. The northern tier of townships in Macon County was



Tylee Conover, a native of New Jersey, was born in 1814. He came to Illinois in 1858 and to Maroa in 1865. He built the Midland Mill which he operated until 1880. Three of his children who lived in Maroa were Governor, George and Alice (Compton). He died in 1895.

offered to DeWitt but was refused because the land was thought to be worthless except for grazing. In 1843 Macon County was formed, leaving Macon as it is today.

In November, 1859, the people voted to go into Township Organization. Three commissioners were appointed to divide the county into townships. They made fourteen townships but later three more were formed from parts of other townships. William F. Crawford was the first Supervisor of Maroa Township.

The first settler in Maroa Township, as it was later formed, was James Pettyjohn, who came from Kentucky in 1839 and located about three miles west of the present city of Maroa. The first birth was Charlotte Pettyjohn on Feb. 10, 1852. The first death



Jason Rogers was born in Indiana in 1834. He came to Illinois in 1858, later coming to Maroa where he established a large clothing and dry-goods store. Upon retiring, he and his family moved to Decatur. Mr. Rogers died in 1895.

was John H. Pettyjohn on Aug. 15, 1852, and the first marriage was that of Joseph Garrett and Mary A. Pettyjohn in 1856. Other early settlers in the township

were Garrett Schenck and Joseph Hilt from Ohio and William Cooper from Indiana, all of whom located on Section 9, and George, John, and Robert Gray and Milton Funk who settled on Section 5. Michael Wendling, a native of Germany, was an early settler in the southwest part of the township. His policy was never to buy land until he had the money on hand to pay for it. The McCann and Ray families settled early in the southeast part of the township.

Land was selling at \$9.00 to \$16.00 per acre and was hard to pay for at that price. William H. Ennis purchased Section 1, east of town, at \$9.00, paying cash. That land still belongs to the Ennis family. Joseph R. and John D. Grady paid \$16.00 for land across the road from Mr. Ennis.

The Great Western railroad, now the Wabash, was the first to be built through Macon County, but the first through Maroa Township was the Illinois Central,



Henry E. Kent was born in New York state in 1833. He came to Illinois as a teacher and taught near Bloomington before coming to Maroa. He was a furniture dealer here. For nearly forty years he was an Elder in the Presbyterian church. His second wife was Mrs. Elizabeth Hooker and their children were Mary and Homer. Mr. Kent died in 1896.

which was surveyed in 1851 but not completed until 1854. At this time the town of Maroa was laid out jointly by the Associated Land Company and the Illinois Central Railroad. The Associated Land Company, consisting of some railroad officials and others, and organized for private financial speculation in land, owned the southern portion of this town. The Company bought alternate sections of land, not already controlled by the railroad, where location of a town was desirable, and sold them as town lots.



Dr. Charles McCaw Wood was born in 1872. He graduated from Northwestern Medical School in 1894, interned at Cook Co. Hospital and did some of the early research in collapsing a lung as treatment for tuberculosis, at Dunning Hospital. He married May Swan in Maroa in 1905. Their children are George, Mary (Baxter) and Florence (Cox). Dr. Wood practiced medicine in Maroa until his death in 1945.

The Illinois Central Depot was built in 1854 and John Crocker, a native of New Hampshire, came from Jacksonville, Ill., to be the first station agent. He remained in that position until 1866. Mr. Crocker was born in 1804 and died in 1879. He was Maroa's first postmaster, first lumber and



Dr. J. H. Axton

grain merchant, and one of the founders of the Presbyterian Church.

The Peoria, Decatur and Atlanta Railroad was completed in

the 1970s. In 1970, the first major study of the effects of acid rain was conducted by the US Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). The study found that acid rain was causing significant damage to forests and water bodies across the country.

The study also found that acid rain was causing significant damage to buildings and infrastructure, particularly in urban areas. It recommended a range of measures to combat acid rain, including the reduction of sulfur dioxide emissions from power plants and the use of cleaner fuels. The study concluded that acid rain was a serious environmental problem that required immediate attention.

Since the 1970s, efforts have been made to reduce acid rain through various measures, including the use of cleaner fuels and the implementation of regulations to limit sulfur dioxide emissions from power plants. These efforts have been successful, with sulfur dioxide emissions from power plants in the United States having decreased by over 70% since 1970.

However, despite these efforts, acid rain continues to be a significant environmental problem. In 2015, the US Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) issued a final rule under the Clean Power Plan, which aims to reduce sulfur dioxide emissions from power plants by 30% by 2030. This rule is intended to further reduce acid rain and protect the environment.

In addition to power plants, acid rain is also caused by industrial activities such as mining and smelting. These activities release sulfur dioxide into the atmosphere, which then reacts with water vapor to form acid rain. Acid rain can cause significant damage to forests, water bodies, and buildings, and it can also contribute to climate change by increasing the acidity of the oceans.

Acid rain has many negative impacts on the environment. It can damage forests, particularly those that are sensitive to acidic conditions. It can also damage buildings and infrastructure, such as roads and bridges. Acid rain can also affect water bodies, such as lakes and rivers, by increasing their acidity and reducing their oxygen levels. This can lead to the death of fish and other aquatic life. Acid rain can also contribute to climate change by increasing the acidity of the oceans, which can affect the pH balance of the water and the health of marine life.

There are several ways to combat acid rain. One way is to reduce the amount of sulfur dioxide emissions from power plants. This can be done by switching to cleaner fuels or by using more efficient technologies. Another way is to reduce the amount of sulfur dioxide emissions from industrial activities, such as mining and smelting. This can be done by using cleaner technologies or by reducing the amount of sulfur dioxide emitted.

It is important to take action to combat acid rain, as it is a significant environmental problem that affects many different aspects of our lives. By taking steps to reduce acid rain, we can help protect the environment and ensure a sustainable future for generations to come.

The cost of combatting acid rain is significant, but the benefits are also significant. By reducing acid rain, we can protect forests, buildings, and infrastructure, and we can also help to combat climate change. It is important to remember that combatting acid rain is a collective effort, and everyone has a role to play in ensuring a sustainable future.

In conclusion, acid rain is a significant environmental problem that requires urgent attention. By taking steps to combat acid rain, we can help protect the environment and ensure a sustainable future for generations to come. It is important to remember that combatting acid rain is a collective effort, and everyone has a role to play in ensuring a sustainable future.

Acid rain is a complex environmental issue that requires a multi-faceted approach. It is important to continue to research and develop new technologies to combat acid rain, and to work together to find solutions that benefit everyone.

It is also important to raise awareness about acid rain and its impact on the environment. By educating people about the problem, we can encourage them to take action and help combat acid rain.

Combatting acid rain is a long-term goal, but it is one that is worth pursuing. By working together, we can help protect the environment and ensure a sustainable future for generations to come. It is important to remember that combatting acid rain is a collective effort, and everyone has a role to play in ensuring a sustainable future.

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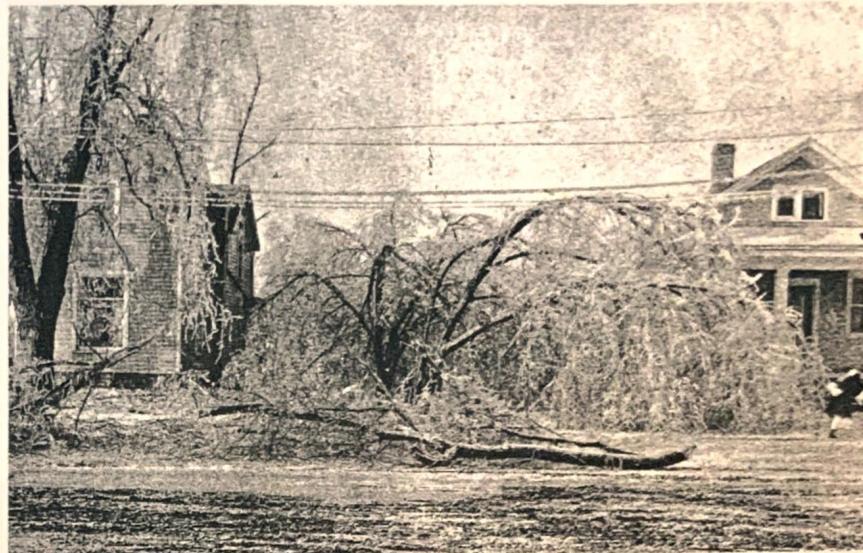
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MAROA'S PUBLIC UTILITIES

LIGHTS

In Feb. 1890, a resolution was adopted at a mass meeting of citizens of Maroa requesting the City Council to take action on lighting the city by electricity. In 1893 a Stock Company was organized by J. Crocker, George Conover and Will Schenck and an electric light plant was established. The Company was given a 20 year franchise by the city for lighting the streets. Toward the end of that period improvements were made in the plant and the franchise was extended another 20 years. Some time after the Illinois Traction System was built, transformers were installed for the purpose of using their current from high tension wires. On Oct. 20, 1910 all night and all day use of electricity was available. This was a great improvement over the "dark until midnight" service.

The lighting system is now the property of the Illinois Power Company.



The results of a severe storm in December 1924. Much damage resulted to trees and especially to the power lines of Maroa.

A bond issue of \$45,000 was voted in 1952 for extensive additions to the mains eliminating all dead ends.

In 1950 all of the city streets were graded and blacktopped.

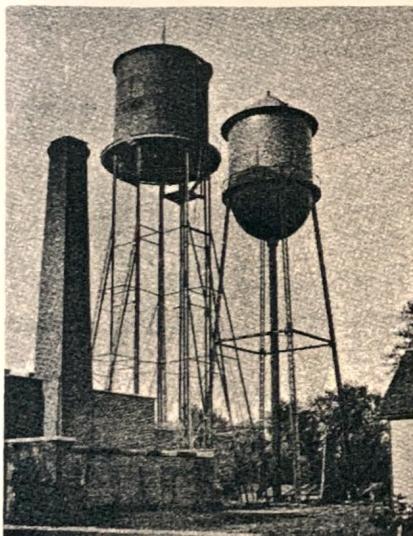
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TELEPHONES

The first system of telephones in Maroa consisted of ten or twelve home-owned instruments with a dial on each one. A pointer on the dial was turned to the number wanted and the crank turned to ring. As more families wanted phones, a switchboard

system was established. The switchboard was in the News-Times office when that building burned. Then it was moved to the second floor of the Crocker & Co. Bank building.

The People's Telephone Co. was sold to the Maroa Mutual Telephone Co., who built the present office in 1907. Of this Company the President was J. P. Stoutenborough; Secretary, J. S. Stoutenborough; Treasurer, D. N. Gray. This system became a part of the Illinois Central Telephone Company in 1925, after the big ice storm of December 1924.



WATER

A system of waterworks was installed in Maroa in 1892 with several miles of mains. A wooden tower built at that time, was replaced in 1907 by an 80 foot steel tank with a capacity of 1800 barrels at a cost of \$4000. The third tower was erected in 1920.

In 1939 the sewer system was built and a well was drilled and fitted 394 feet deep in 70 ft. of sand. The water softener was added in 1936 and a second new well drilled in 1946.



MARIA'S PURPLE UNTITLED

1971

María Luisa Gómez, Untitled, 1971

Acrylic on canvas, 100 x 100 cm. Collection of the artist.

With her husband, José Luis Gómez, María Luisa Gómez has been painting since 1968. They live in Madrid and work in the same studio, which they share with other artists.

Both have studied at the Escuela Superior de Bellas Artes in Madrid, and María Luisa Gómez has also studied at the Escuela de Pintura del Prado. She has exhibited in Madrid, Valencia, Bilbao, Barcelona, and in various European cities. Her work has been included in several international exhibitions.

She has recently moved to Paris.

Her work is now based in Paris, where she tries to follow the traditional rules of art. She still wants to be free of conventional form, however.

INTERVIEW

INTERVIEWER: You seem to have given up the traditional forms of painting. How do you feel about this? Do you feel that your work is more personal now?

MARIA LUISA GÓMEZ: I don't like the word "personal".

INTERVIEWER: Why not?

MARIA LUISA GÓMEZ: Because it's not my work. It's the work of others.

INTERVIEWER: You mean that you don't feel that your work is your own?

MARIA LUISA GÓMEZ: No, I don't feel that my work is my own. I feel that it's the work of others.

INTERVIEWER: You mean that you feel that your work is not your own?

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MAROA FIRE DEPARTMENT

The Maroa Fire Company, No. 1 was organized Oct. 15, 1870. According to the Rules and By-Laws of 1877, the membership was limited to sixteen active members and the dues were 40c per year, payable quarterly in advance. In 1882 the by-laws were amended and membership raised to thirty-five. The fire bell was purchased about 1884.

The first fire-fighting equipment consisted of a hand pumped engine which was used in wells and cisterns at the scene of the fire. This engine was called The Little Giant and it was acquired early in 1886.



New 1954 home of the Maroa Countryside Fire Protection District trucks.



Maroa's Fire Department on its return from State Tournament in 1902. Left to right: Clarence Brake, John Jump, unknown, Bruce Waller, Claude Crandall, Stanley Kinkaid, George Legge, Ben Taylor, Andrew Legge, Harry Elliott, Arthur Bowden, Orville Allsup and Henry Kent.

The days of running with the trucks and engine were ended when motor vehicles came into use and Maroa bought a motorized fire truck. Later in 1931 a shiny new red fire truck costing \$4,500 was demonstrated on Main Street and many people gathered around to inspect it and to test its siren. The pumper threw two stout streams high over the Presbyterian Church steeple and every one was thrilled. Charles Creekmur was the Fire Chief at that time.

Maroa has had several big fires. In January 1888 almost a block on the south side of Main Street burned. The fire spread so rapidly that the charge in the chemical fire engine was soon exhausted and the wells in the vicinity emptied so the only means of halting the fire was to tear down stores in its path. In Sep-

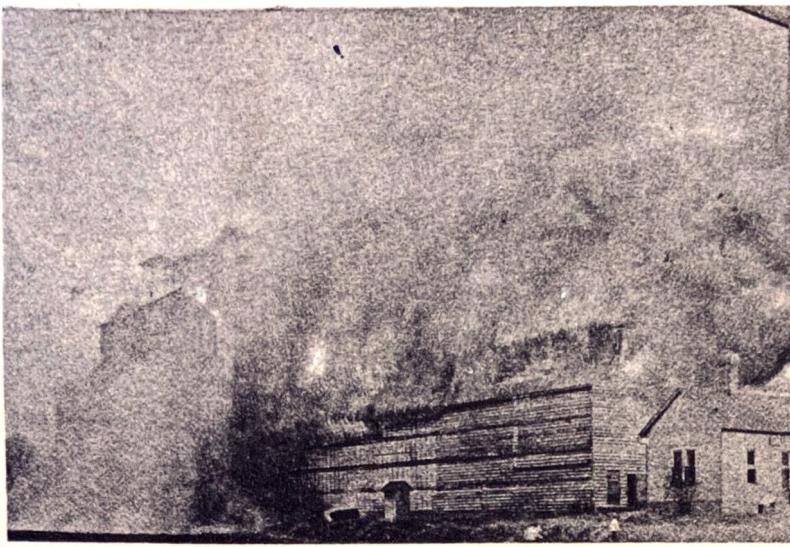


Gene Creekmur in his store. Both were destroyed in 1946 in one of Maroa's most disastrous fires.

tember 1902 the livery stable owned by Smith and Stoutenborough burned along with Charles Bosler's blacksmith shop and several other buildings. The Maroa Implement Co. now stands on that site. The Shellabarger Elevator burned in June 1913, taking with it the Methodist Church, several houses, store buildings, J. T. Keatts' Poultry House, Martin Hitt's Implement House, and part of David Weilupp's Hardware Store. The wind was strong and embers were carried many blocks, starting fires in other parts of town. Only heroic work on the part of many citizens saved the west half of town. The most recent large fire was in 1946. At that time the Masonic Temple was completely destroyed and Gene Creekmur lost his life.

Nine members of the Maroa Fire Company have served fifteen years or more. Carter Wilkey leads the list with 47 years and Wray Cramer follows with 43. Others are W. R. Pennypacker 24, Andrew Thompson 23, Edwin Stevens 22, Frank Matthews 17, Russell Reed 16, Edwin McIlvenna 15 and Russell Garren also 15. After seven years of active duty, a member may receive an Exempt Certificate which exempts him from jury duty in the State of Illinois for life.

At an election on June 26, 1948, the people residing in a proposed fire district voted in favor of forming a Countryside Fire Protection District. Judge Gus T. Greanias appointed Russell Braden, Ray Ferrill and Chas. Marsh as Trustees of the District. The

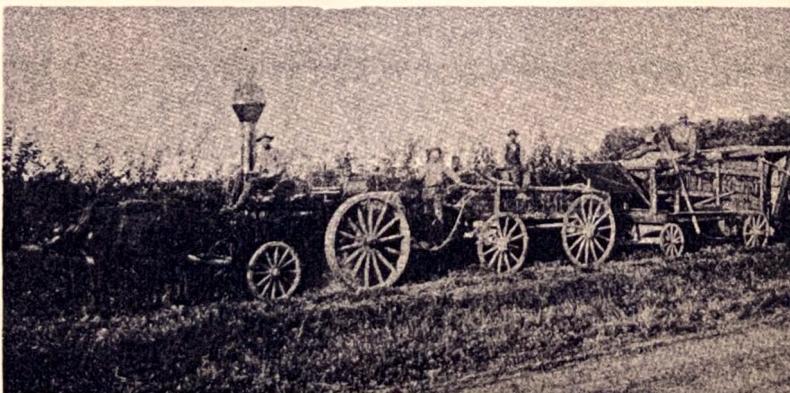


first meeting was held June 9, 1949. The District has two new fire trucks, having purchased one Sept. 2, 1950 and the other Dec. 5, 1951.

In March 1953 the District bought the north half of the old Masonic Temple site and have built a very attractive building in which to house their equipment.

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Shellabarger Elevator 1913—June

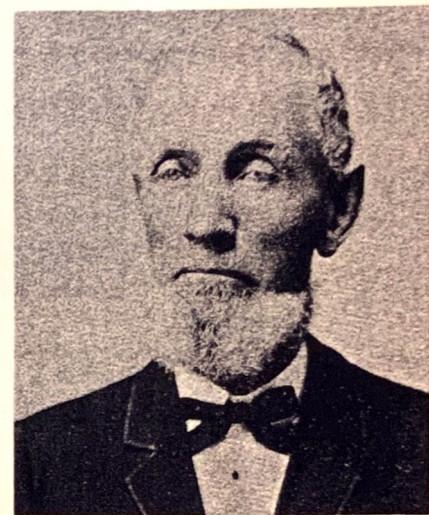
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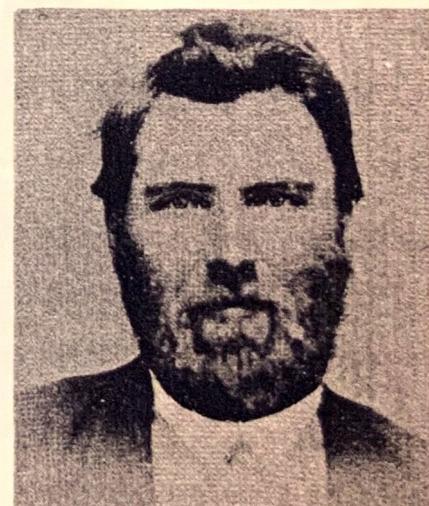
Mule drawn threshing outfit.



Maroa Community Center



William Baird (1821-1910) came from Cincinnati, Ohio, to Illinois in a covered wagon, locating near Kenney. He married Eleanor Cox and three daughters were born to them; Mary Ann, who married Gabriel Hutchinson, Ella, who married James H. Stoutenborough; and Lida, who became the wife of Bazel Cooper. Mr. Baird built the brick house just north of town in 1867.



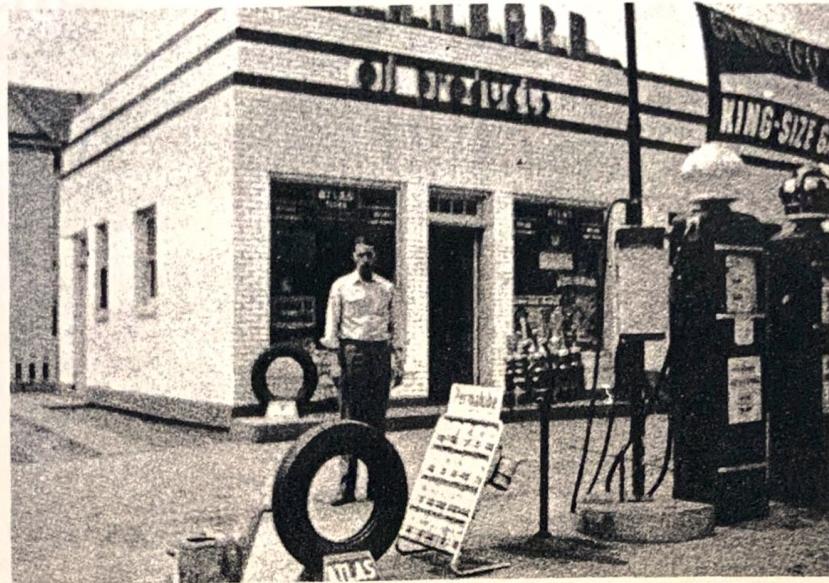
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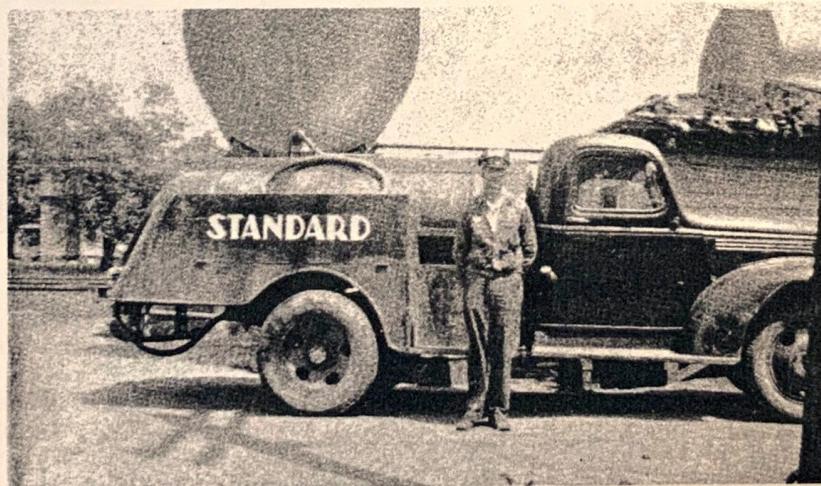


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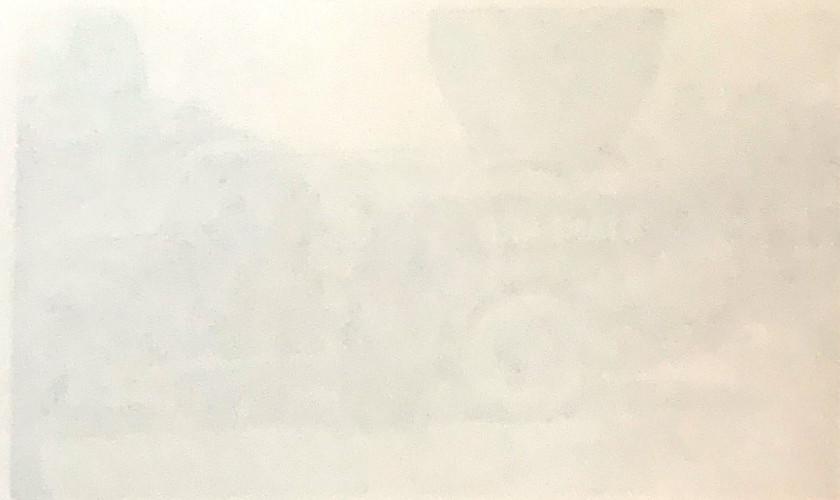
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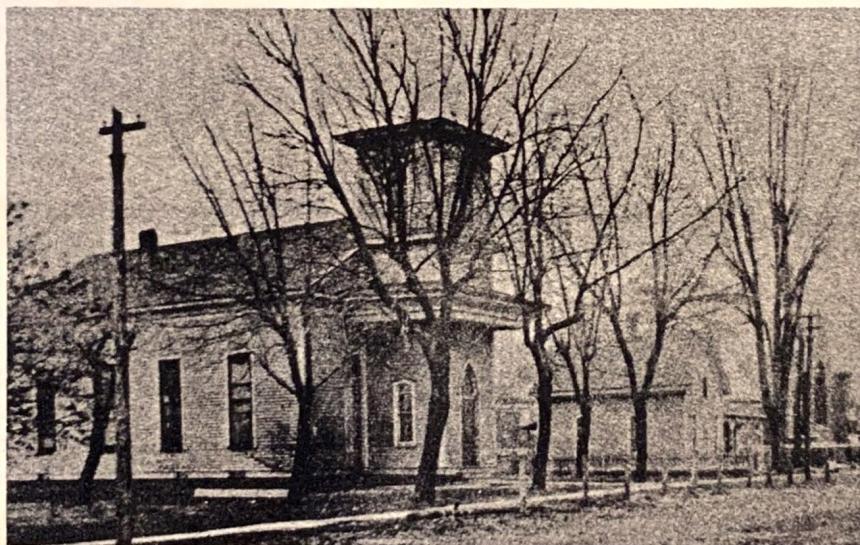
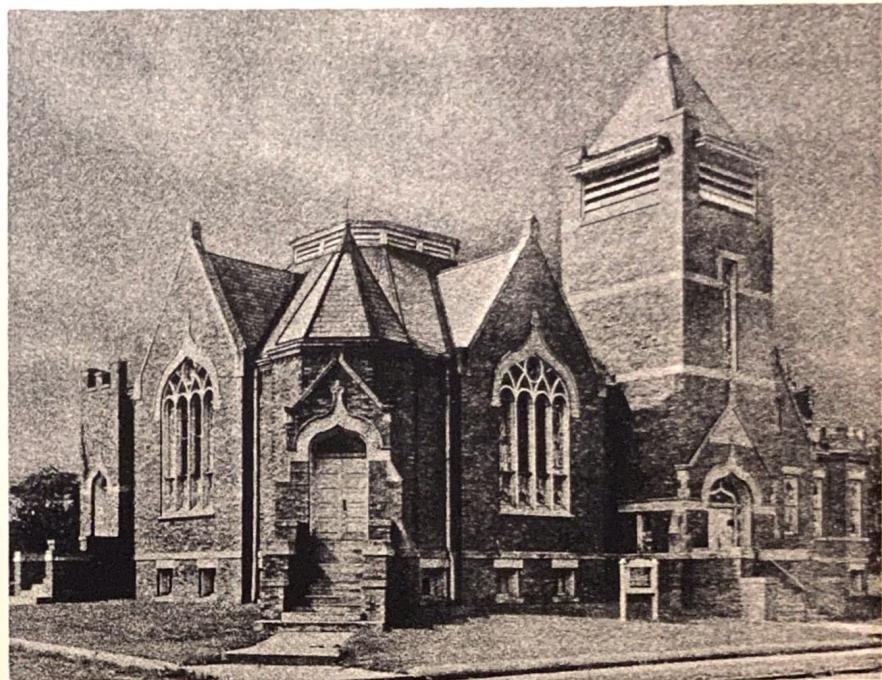
CHURCHES

THE CHRISTIAN CHURCH

The Maroa Church of Christ was organized in the home of Dr. J. W. Thayer on May 4, 1862 with 24 charter members, 21 of whom had been members of the Texas or Clinton Christian Churches in DeWitt County.

For about a year the meetings were held by different members in their homes. In March, 1863, J. W. Tyler was employed to preach one-fourth of the time. About this time the meetings were held in the school house.

In May, 1868 the first steps were taken toward building a church. The building was raised and enclosed but not finished and was used in this condition for two years. It was then plastered, painted, and pews were installed.



Old Christian Church

In 1868 a Sunday School was organized with 50 attendants. The Sunday School has continued since that time and has always paid its own expenses. In 1880 the current expenses for the Sunday School were \$45 for the year.

When the congregation of the Presbyterian Church decided to build their church up town, the people of the Christian Church bought the lot where the Presbyterian church stood. About this time, the name of the church was changed from the Maroa Church of Christ to the Maroa Christian Church.

The present church was built

and dedicated free of debt during the ministry of Rev. W. H. Harding. It was dedicated March 19, 1911. Two members of the official board at the time the church was dedicated are still living and members of the church. They are Velma Davis and W. O. Shaw. Mr. Davis is still a member of the official board.

When the old frame church building was torn down, the lumber that was usable, was used in erecting a seven room dwelling on the site of the old church. Today, this is used as a parsonage.

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MOTHERS' CLUB OF THE CHRISTIAN CHURCH

The Mothers' Club was first known as The Cradle Roll Moth-

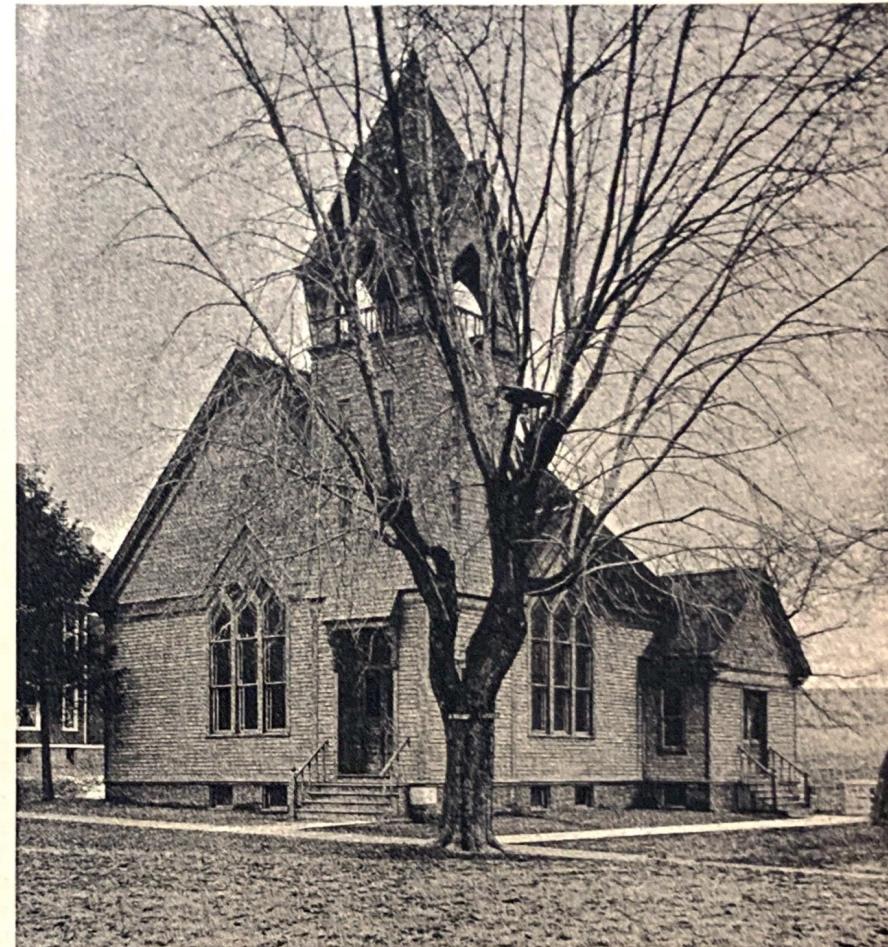


ers. It was started by Ima Irwin in 1910 and was comprised of members of one Sunday School class. These mothers met three times a year and their purpose was to promote a religious understanding between the mother, child and the church. In 1912 Mrs. Berger took the leadership and served for fifteen years. It was during this time that the name was changed and the mothers began to meet every month and to elect officers. They put on plays and did many things to raise money to help the church, the Orphans' Home, and other projects. In 1927 Mrs. John Miller became the leader and she held the position for several years. She was followed by other good leaders. At one time the roll was large but at present there are only twenty members. The present President is Mrs. Frank Vorce. After forty-four years of good service the club still has three of its charter members. They are Kate Berger, Sarah Westbrook, and Rebecca Gray.

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MAROA METHODIST CHURCH

The first preaching place sustained by the Methodist Episcopal Church in Maroa Twp. was at the residence of Robert Belford, six and one-half miles southeast of Maroa, in 1857. R. C. Norton of Decatur was the preacher in charge and the eleven members

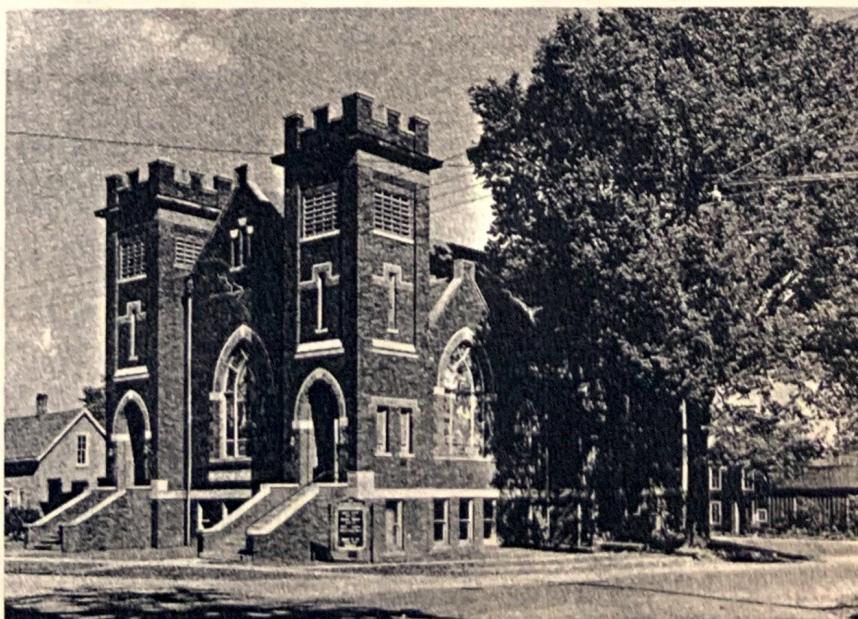


were John Orr, wife and mother, John Belford and wife, John Kilpatrick and wife, Joseph Jones and wife, Robert Belford and wife. In about two years services were changed to Maroa in the

Illinois Central Depot, alternating each Sunday with the Presbyterians. When the new school house was completed, the services were held there.

In 1865 Maroa Circuit was formed with H. M. Rice as pastor and it embraced Maroa, Lake Fork, Forsyth, West Ridge, and Mt. Pleasant. There was no church in the entire circuit and one was built in Maroa in 1867. This building stood on the corner east of the present home of Mrs. Chas. J. Spooner. It was a small one room building with a partition through the center, separating the men and the women. It was later moved to the site of the present parsonage.

There were many changes in the circuits through the years and in 1890 Maroa and Prairie Chapel formed one appointment. The next year a new church was built in the Prairie Chapel neighborhood, four miles east and one mile south of Maroa. It was named Epworth Chapel and services were held there until Nov. 1939.



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REVIEW: *THE COUNTRY HOUSE*
An early postwar film off
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it's dated. Robert Redford
as a man who wants to
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In 1892 the first church built by the Maroa Methodists was torn down and a new larger one erected at a cost of \$6,000. During the pastorate of S. N. Wakefield, 1911-13, it was planned to erect a new building. Before this was completed, the old church burned. On this site a parsonage was built during the pastorate of E. J. Campbell, 1917-19.

The new church, including the lot and furnishings, was built at a cost of \$23,500. The building committee consisted of J. H. Parker, T. J. Cramer, R. B. Wikoff, J. F. Harris, B. F. Shipley, J. P. Parker, M. D. Brown, V. R. Grady, and John Longstreet.

The present pastor is DeWitt C. Ellinwood. The church membership is 478 and the average Sunday School attendance is 248.

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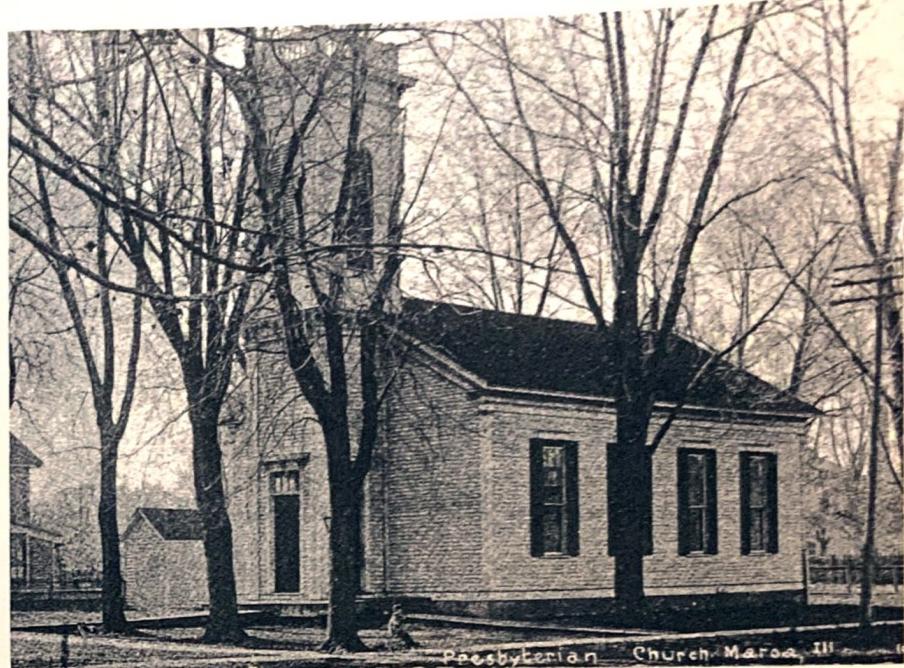
THE FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF MAROA

Mr. John Crocker of Jacksonville, Illinois, moved with his family to Maroa in November, 1854 to become agent for the Illinois Central Railroad Company. This family of Presbyterians, with others of this faith, held occasional religious services in their home in the station house until 1859 when, by their efforts, a church was organized.

The organization of the Maroa Church was effected on Sunday, January 30, 1859 by Rev. A. T. Norton, the District Secretary of Church Extension and Home Missions for the West. On that day John Crocker and James McCann, Jr. were elected and ordained as Elders. The church was taken under the care of the Presbytery of Illinois (new church) at its session at Carrollton, Illinois, in April 1859, being the first New School Presbyterian Church organized in Macon County.

During the next seven years services were not held regularly, the pulpit being filled by supply ministers every other Sunday or less often with meetings held in the school house. In 1860 Mr. Peleg Kent was ordained as Elder.

In the year 1864 plans were made to erect a church edifice on the site of the present Christian church. The building was completed in 1867 and Rev. J. A. Hood was installed as the first pastor. The next year a steeple



Old Presbyterian Church

was added and a bell presented to the church by Elder John Crocker.

The church continued to grow and by 1909 had a membership of 206. On January 29, 1909 Rev. J. N. McDonald was installed as the twelfth ordained minister to fill the pulpit and on the next day a Golden Jubilee Banquet was held in the Maroa Opera House.

Rev. McDonald saw the need of

succeeded in raising \$33,931.74 needed for the construction of the new church.

The cornerstone laying was a big event. Business houses and schools were closed and a parade from the old church to the site of the new church preceded the cornerstone laying ceremonies. The parade included a band, Sunday School and Church members, Mayor and City Officials, School



Breaking ground for First Presbyterian Church

a larger, more modern church and planned a vigorous campaign toward this goal. At this time the Elders were William Rainey, James H. Sterling, J. E. Wikoff, W. T. McLean and George Conover. The Trustees were John B. Stoutenborough, C. Y. Miller, Sr., Will Schenck, C. F. Schenck, M. E. Huston and J. Crocker. In less than a year these officers had

Board members, School Superintendent and teachers, Officers of the church and other church ministers. The church was dedicated in February 1911, a little more than a year after the laying of the cornerstone. The Manse was built in 1910.

For several years after the church was completed it was used as a community center, whe



The Present Presbyterian Church

classes were held in gymnasium exercises, domestic science and manual training.

Due to difficulties which grew out of the depression, the church was closed in March 1938, opening again five years later. The ninetieth anniversary was celebrated in January 1949.

For the past year Rev. Emerson Abendroth, Dean of Religious Education of Millikin University, has conducted Sunday services.

Present Elders are George Waller, Robert Stoutenborough, G. E. Stoutenborough, R. C. Stoutenborough, Paul Osborn and W. Lee Kempshall. Chas. Grant Stoutenborough and Bernard L. Myers were recently elected and ordained to replace the late Blanche Dinwiddie and Carl Schenck who served as active Elders for many years.

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MAROA BIBLE CHURCH

The Maroa Bible Church was organized January 5, 1947 at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Otis Preston with sixty-nine charter members, and at that time was given the name "Maroa Church of Christ." Dr. F. H. Head was called to be the pastor and the next day, January 6, a parsonage and ground for the church building was bought and paid for. The basement was excavated the

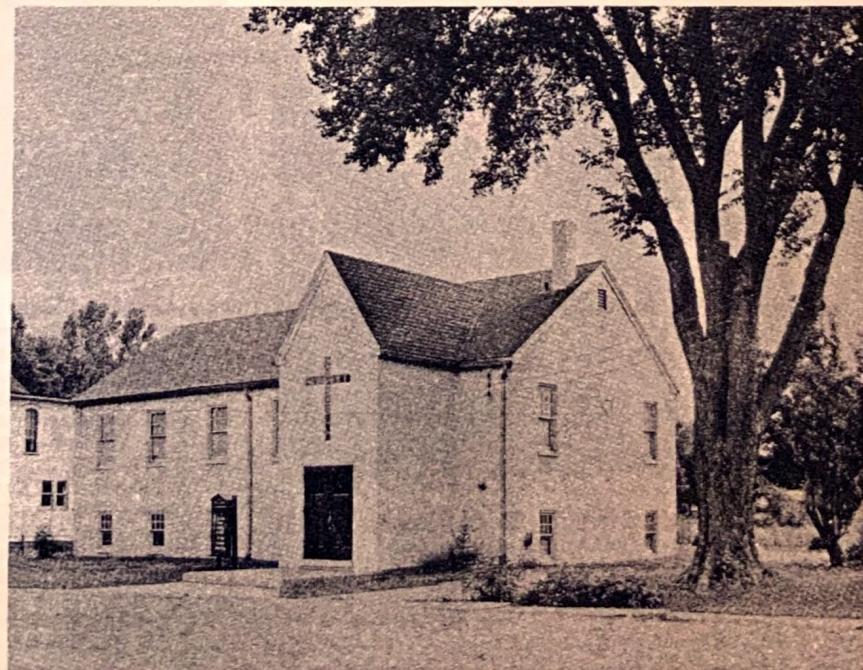
same week and plans were drawn up for the building, which was started immediately by the Constant contractors. Members donated cash and labor, also, and the work progressed rapidly. During the time building was going on, regular services were held in the basement of the parsonage and the new building was dedicated in December of the same year.

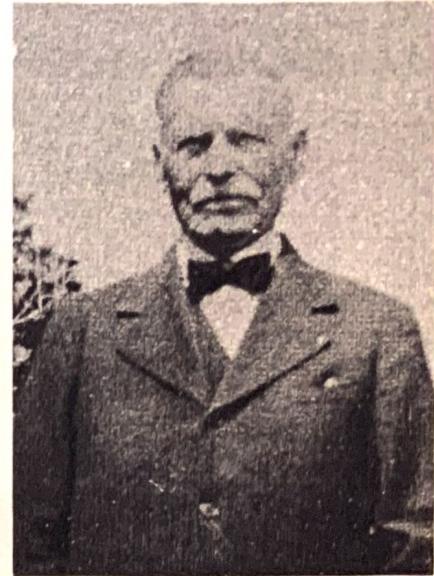
In June, 1948 Dr. Head, feeling that his work as a minister in this community was completed, resigned the pastorate and in September, Richard Kilian of Whit-

Prior to the coming of Rev. Kilian, since serious thought had been given, the majority of the members wished it to be clear that the church was independent and in no way associated with the Federal Council of Churches of Christ in America, a vote was taken and the name was changed to Maroa Bible Church. In December 1951 all indebtedness was paid in full with Dr. Head, now of Petersburg, Indiana, present for the occasion.

During these few years, several from this church have been called into Christian service and are serving in various parts of the United States. Herbert Adams is pastor of the Grace Memorial Church at Mt. Carmel, Illinois. Norma Norris is a Missionary to the Indians with her headquarters in Tacoma, Washington. James Stoutenborough has been doing Evangelistic work for some time and is now assistant pastor and song leader at the Berean Baptist Church in Flint, Michigan. Leonard Mee, a talented pianist, plays for Evangelistic services and gospel quartettes.

The past three years the church has given substantial support to a missionary family, Mr. and Mrs. Clifton Blevine and daughter, Jennie Sue, whose mission work is in Japan. Also the pastor has carried on a gospel broadcast six days per week since





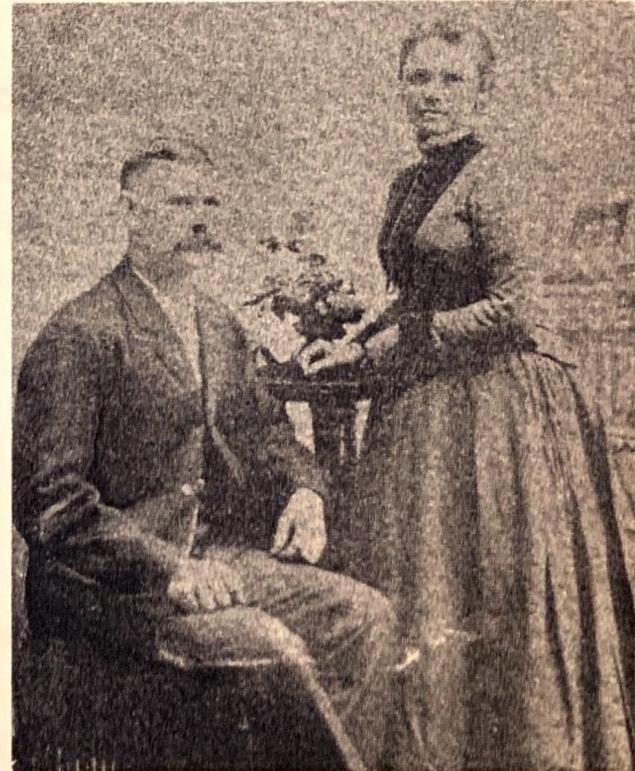
February 1953. The church has full time services, Sunday evening Young People's Meeting, Prayer meeting and Bible study each Wednesday evening, and

Fellowship meetings the third Friday of each month. A Daily Vacation Bible School has also been conducted each year with an average enrollment of sixty.

John Hoffman was born in Hesse Darnstadt, Germany, in 1843, and migrated with his parents to the U. S. in a sail boat when he was 10 years old. The family settled at Peoria, Ill. where the country was mainly owned by the Indians. In 1864 Mr. Hoffman married Dillay Louisans and two years later they moved to a farm east of Maroa, which they purchased from an Indian. Five children were born to this couple and Lillian Miller survives. Mrs. Hoffman died in 1895 and in 1900 Mr. Hoffman married Rena Allen, who also survives.



John Marsh was born in Warren Co., Ohio, in 1823. At the age of 21 he married Henrietta Sherman and they became the parents of nine children. Four sons, who grew to manhood in the Maroa Community, were Alfred, William, Jesse and John. As a young man, Mr. Marsh was a pump maker, making pumps by boring out logs by hand. He came to Illinois in 1850 and made the first public pumps in Springfield, Ill., putting one on each side of the old State House square. While in Springfield he also made a pump for Abraham Lincoln. Mrs. March died in 1862 and two years later Mr. Marsh married Mary Boyland. They moved to Maroa in 1866 where Mr. Marsh engaged in the stock business with Jason Rogers. Later he bought a farm five miles east of Maroa and moved there, remaining until he retired in 1880, and moved back to town. He died in 1896.



Charles Kinkaid was born in Zanesville, Ohio, in 1856 and his wife, Martha Jane Hamilton, was born in Dowagiac, Michigan, in 1857. Seven children were born to this union: Eva, Stanley, Cecil, Florence, George, Charlie, and Lorene. Both Mr. and Mrs. Kincaid died in 1931.

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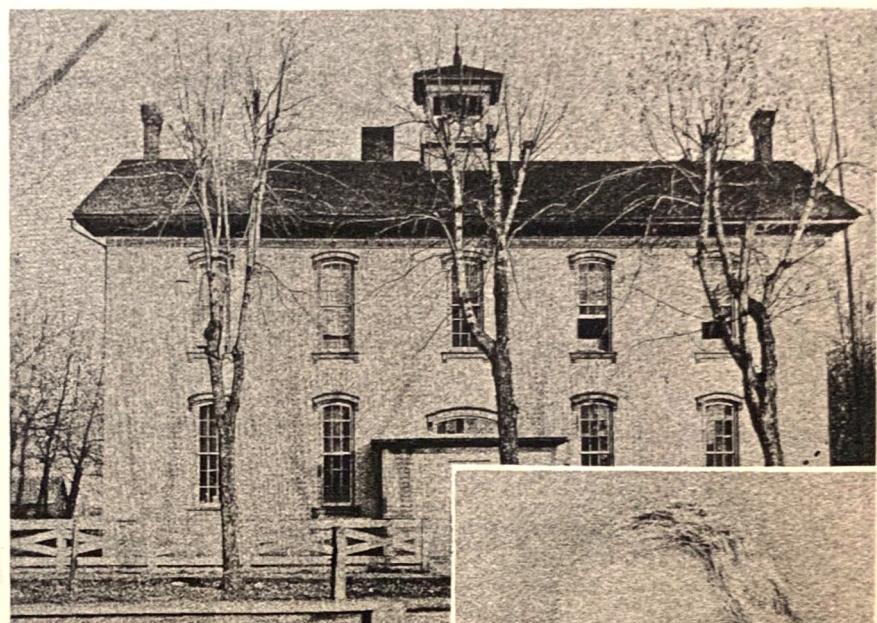
HISTORY OF MAROA GRADE SCHOOL

The first public school in Maroa was in 1858-59. No school building had been erected yet, but by that time there were nearly two dozen children of school age in the village and immediate neighborhood, and the people realized the necessity of providing them the means of acquiring a common school education. The only vacant building in the town was a frame structure which had been the quarters of the construction gangs when the railroad was built, and abandoned when that work was completed. This building was fitted up where it stood, and in the fall of 1858 there was opened the first public school ever held in Maroa.

The teacher of this school was Robert Collins. The Board of Directors consisted of Joseph Jones, Garrett Schenck and O. J. Harlan. The pupils were Joseph, Charles, Mary and Esther Jones, children of Joseph Jones; Peter and Nathan Walter, sons of Wm. R. Walter; Mike, Ed and Mary Ann Grady, children of Patrick Grady; Harriett and Elizabeth Hedger, daughters of Thomas Hedger; John and Charles Schenck, sons of Garrett Schenck; Henry, Malinda, Maria, and Sarah Barger; Elias, Alec, Will and Pursis Ann Rogers.

A new school home was built during the summer of 1859. The building was a frame one and was located on the north part of the ground on which the present building stands. The lot was bought of the Associated Land Co., a corporation with headquarters in Massachusetts, and it is a noteworthy fact that the deed to this lot was executed and acknowledged at the town of Salem, renowned for its witchcraft persecutions during colonial times.

On the night of March 31, 1861, a severe wind storm struck the little village and did a good deal of damage to buildings. The new school house was lifted from its foundation and carried about ten feet to the east and quite badly racked. Temporary quarters were secured elsewhere for the school while the school building was righted and repaired.



A public school completed in 1867

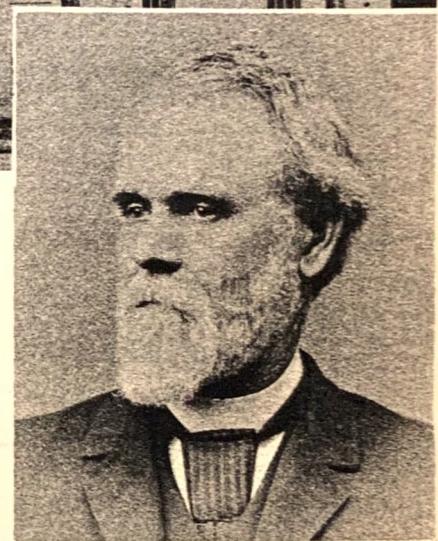
At a meeting of the school board held Aug. 23, 1862, the tax levy for school purposes was fixed at one-half of one percent, and the sum of \$330 was appropriated \$275 for teachers, \$30 for fuel, and \$25 for incidental expenses.

By the fall of 1864 the school population had so increased that two teachers had to be employed for part of the year. Both teachers taught in the same room.

Additional ground having been purchased and the old building moved away, work was begun on a new school building in the summer of 1866. It was a two-story brick with four rooms. It required an entire year to build and furnish the new school and the first term in it began October 5, 1867.



O. J. Harlan, Member of the first Board of Directors.



Dr. C. A. McLean, FIRST GRADE SCHOOL PRINCIPAL, was born in Fleming County, Kentucky in 1838. He married Lucy Taylor and they came to Maroa in 1865. He taught in the Maroa Schools and later went to medical school and afterwards practiced medicine here.

The Board that year consisted of George W. Conover, A. Franklin and John Marsh. The Principal was C. A. McLean, under whose management the schools were graded as well as could be done at that time. An east wing of two rooms was added to the building in 1887.

During the summer of 1875 a one-room frame school house was built on the rear end of the school lot, back of the main building.

By 1877 the school had a principal and four teachers. The average monthly wage at this time was about \$45 to \$50 per month.

At a meeting of the board held April 3, 1882, it was decided that more ground was needed. Two acres of ground lying east of and adjoining the school lots were purchased for \$500.

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By 1890 the population of the town had reached a point where by law the management of school affairs should pass from a board of directors to a Board of Education consisting of a president and six members. At the regular election in April, 1890, the first board was elected as follows: Dr. E. A. Morgan, president; members, A. J. Lutz, Albert Furman, Theodore Schafer, F. C. Brown, J. G. Happer and Charles Huff.

About this time it was decided to purchase a steam heating plant for the brick school. W. C. "Ted" Dine was given the position as janitor and he held the position until July 16, 1941, completing almost 52 years of janitorial service to the school.



W. C. "Ted" Dine, Janitor for almost 52 years—1863-1947.

In 1895 improvements included the laying of concrete walks about the school buildings, and extending the city water mains to the school premises.

During 1914-15 the present brick building was erected. It contained twelve classrooms, an assembly and a small gymnasium.

In 1940 Maroa elementary school was first in Illinois to receive a Certificate of Superior Rating under a new Program of Recognition. Loren Lewis was Principal at that time.

In the spring of 1947, about fourteen grade schools in Maroa Township and the south part of DeWitt County were consolidated with the Maroa Grade school and were known as the Maroa Com-



NEW GRADE SCHOOL BUILT IN 1914-1915—ADDITION IN 1953

munity Consolidated School. Two buses were purchased during the summer and the children were brought to town to school. The next spring a new law changed the system again and the grade and high school districts were consolidated under one Board of Education forming the Community Unit.

The school building was soon overcrowded and in 1953 four class rooms and a gymnasium were added on the south. The old gymnasium was converted to a



THE AMERICAN SCHOOL—WAYNE QUERY ON PORCH

kitchen and lunchroom for the hot lunch program. The assembly is being used at present as a visual aids room and the new gymnasium provides a space for public meeting and assembly.

It is interesting thus to follow the history of the schools through the past century. Starting with two dozen pupils and one teacher in 1858, in a village of but a few scattered houses, a mere speck upon the broad, unbroken prairie, we have seen their gradual but constant growth and development until now there is an enrollment of over three hundred elementary pupils.

AMERICAN SCHOOL
Late in the summer of 1874, one acre of land was purchased from F. N. Ewing for \$50 for the purpose of erecting a school house. This tract lies three miles east of Maroa in the northeast corner of the cross roads intersection. It was plowed by Amos Barger for \$5.10, lumber was purchased, contractor James Huff engaged and soon the building was started. The cost of the building including labor, recording of the deed (\$3.75), and in-

surance (\$21.00) was \$734.95. This was the American School.

The first school master was C. A. Williamson, who taught from November until the middle of March for \$40 per month. It was the custom to teach a few months and then have a vacation of a month or so.

In 1876 a board fence was built around the school yard with stiles to the west and south. The next year trees were planted along the west and south sides which made excellent shade in a few years. It was several years before a satisfactory well was dug and in the meantime the children carried water from a

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neighboring house. By 1905 the old board fence was quite dilapidated by weather, wind and gypsies tearing off boards for kindling for their fires. It was replaced by a new pipe fence without stiles but with three posts as a gateway.

As the years passed, the enrollment increased, new seats were purchased, an anteroom was added, the old stove was replaced by a furnace, the library grew and a piano was added.

In 1922 a Parent - Teacher Group was formed with Mrs. Ruth Ferrill as President. Meetings were held once a month.

During eighty years American School had fifty teachers. Hattie S. Jones taught the longest period, 47½ months, and Lola Barnett Clapp next, with six years to her credit. The highest salary paid was \$185.00 per month and the lowest was \$22.50, back in 1882. The largest attendance was 41 pupils in 1887 when Clara Moyer was the teacher. Calvin Query was a director for 29 years.

This school has been closed since 1952 and the building was sold and moved a quarter of a mile farther east to be used as a tool shed.

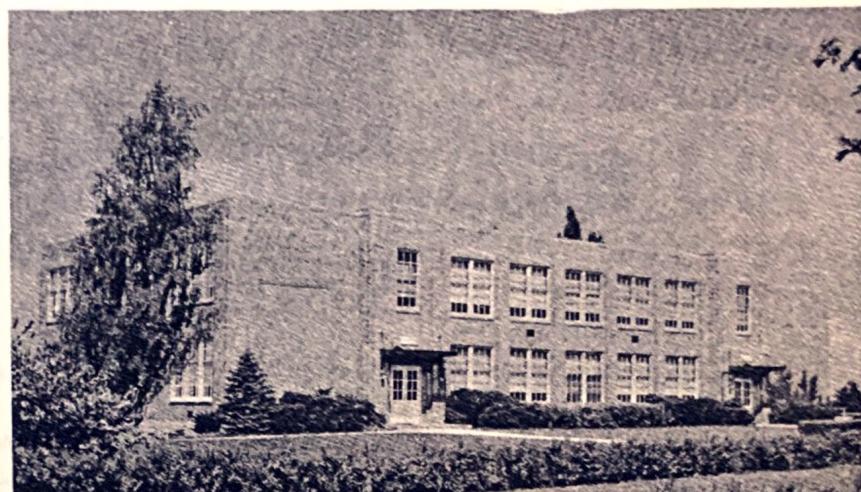
Former pupils and families of the American School District continue to hold yearly reunions, meeting now in the Maroa Township Community Building.

HISTORY OF MAROA COMMUNITY HIGH SCHOOL

The earliest records obtainable show that Maroa had a high school organization about 1883. The first class was graduated at that time. The exercises were held in the old M. E. church and the members of the class were May Covault, Clara Jones, Ella Reed, Emanuel Bennett, Estella Conover, Ella Tozer, Fred D. Axton and Benjamin F. Walter. The class motto was "Labor Conquers All Things."

The high school and grade school were combined in administration and building. When the new building was erected in 1914-15, the grades used the first floor and the high school used the second floor.

In 1920 the high school was organized as a community high school Dist. No. 151, with a sep-



HIGH SCHOOL BUILT IN 1931

arate Board of Education. The high school continued to use the second floor of the grade school until 1931. The enrollment was getting so large that the school standing was endangered because of lack of space. The high school building was finished in 1931. It was opened in March with an enrollment of 146. The cost was \$70,000 to which additional equipment was added bringing the total cost to \$90,000. The commercial department was added in the following year. With the excellent new building and equipment many non-high school students were attracted to Maroa High, bringing the enrollment to 150-160.

The south basement and shower rooms were completed in 1936-37 at a cost of \$20,000.

A full time Agricultural Dept. was added in 1937-38. A sound motion picture machine was also purchased that year. A film strip projector was given to the school in 1939.

A public address system was installed about 1940, under the instruction of Mr. Keyes and the student radio club. This first system was constructed at the school for a total cost of about \$80.00.

With the advent of World War II many sudden changes were forced upon the school. Transportation was curtailed to the bare necessities of travel to and from school. Side routes and extra trips were banned. The school term was shortened to 8 months, but with a longer school day to aid the manpower shortage on the farms. Military training through

the government sponsored Victory Corps was introduced during the war years. Principal W. D. Keyes and Melvin J. Nicol, Agric. Instructor, acted as instructors for this. Radio, refresher mathematics courses, and Pre-flight Aeronautics were introduced into the curriculum also during the war years.

In 1946 Chemistry was added to the curriculum with equipment costing about \$3000.00.

In 1947, due to a new school law, the Community Unit was formed consolidating high school and grade school districts under one Board of Education. The rapid formation of neighboring units, accompanied by territory annexation practically forced the formation of the Unit at top speed. Maroa High School District was small at this time (about 40 sections originally) and had faced many difficulties with neighbors competing for non-high school territory. Just before the formation of the unit, Maroa had succeeded in annexing about 30 sections of non-high land. With the formation of the unit and the disappearance of most non-high territory, Maroa Unit was formed with about 80 sections of land. W. D. Keyes, High School Principal, was elected Superintendent of the newly formed Unit. Mr. D. M. Dewhirst, who had been President of the High School Board of Education for 27 years retired at this time and Mr. Ambrose Hill became the first President of the Unit Board of Education.

Many other additions and expansions of the curriculum fol-

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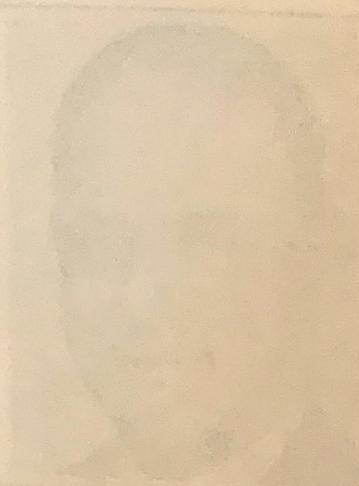
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lowed in the 1940's. A full 3 year Home Economics course was initiated. Spanish was introduced, and more Commerce courses were added.

The Maroa H. S. Band was started about 1946-47 after the disbanding of the high school orchestra. Mrs. D. M. Dewhirst directed the orchestra for many years.

In the early 1950's it became apparent that a building program would be imperative due to a rapidly increasing school population. After several preliminary attempts a building program costing \$296,000 was passed and construction started in the fall of 1952. In the high school, the program called for the construction of a new farm shop and laboratory class room, a new industrial arts shop and drawing room, and two additional regular classrooms. Construction was complete enough to permit use of the building in the fall of 1953. Beginning general shop courses were started in the industrial arts program. The cost of the new structure was approximately \$92,000.

In 1954 several new business machines were installed in the commerce department, making

possible the addition of an Office Practice course. The electric typewriter, calculator, 10 key adding machine, full key adding machine, duplicators, also the varityper and offset press which was purchased largely by the students, gave our school a real modern set of equipment at the time of this writing May 22, 1954.

THE HISTORY OF 4-H CLUBS IN MAROA

The first Home Economics 4-H Club in Macon County, as listed in the records of the Home Adviser, was formed in 1922.

The first Home Economics Club reported from Maroa was in 1927, called Illaroa. It was a clothing club led by Miss Edna Rogers. It started with an enrollment of 29 members, but only 20 finished their projects. All were taking first year clothing.

In 1930, Maroa had two 4-H clothing clubs with seven leaders. In the following years there have been clothing and cooking clubs and during the past four years, a flower arrangement club, also. This year (1954) another cooking club was organized.

The enrollment for 1954 was:
Maroa Get-Togethers, a cloth-

ing club with 21 members.
Maroa Mixers, a cooking club with 17 members.

Maroa Juniors, a cooking club with 17 members.

Maroa Beautifiers, a floral club with 15 members.

In various years there have been members who have won County Honors, which have entitled them to enter competition at the State Fair where they have also won honors.

The first 4-H Agricultural Club reported in Maroa was in 1926. It was a poultry club led by Ted H. Hafer, with nine members.

In 1930, Jesse Riley was leader of the Maroa Livestock Club. In 1936, John Hensey led the Agricultural Club.

From 1938 to 1954, Melvin J. Nicol has been the leader of the Maroa Livestock Agricultural 4-H Club.

The present 1954 Agricultural 4-H club has an enrollment of 72 members. In four of the past five years Maroa has received the Honor as the outstanding 4-H Agricultural Club in Macon County. The Club and various members have received recognition on both State and National levels.

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MARA GRADE SCHOOL P.T.A.

The Maroa Parent-Teacher Association representing both the high school and the grade school was organized in the main auditorium of the present grade school on November 14, 1921.

The local women had made house to house calls stimulating interest in the organization of such a group. Two women from Decatur came to the first meeting and explained how to organize the association.

Some of the charter members, who still make Maroa their home are: Mrs. William C. McGuire, Mrs. Bertha Funk, Mrs. Bess Spooner, Mrs. Zelva Caplinger, Mrs. Virgil Leach, Mrs. James Wheeler, Mrs. Joe Longsdorff, Mrs. Earl Stoutenborough, Mrs. Norman Stoutenborough, Mrs. Lula Parker, Mrs. Laura Schroeder, Mrs. Stelle Jump, and Mrs. D. M. Dewhirst.

The first officers were Mrs. C. N. Warner, President; Mrs. Norman Stoutenborough, Vice-President; Mrs. Linnie Alsup, Secretary, and Mrs. Mae Wood, Treasurer.

The organization grew from the beginning and at no time has there been a break in its program. Meetings were held first in the afternoon and then at night so that the men might attend. "Dad's Night" became an annual part of the program.

Some of the outstanding projects of the P.T.A. have been a

clothing room during the depression years, the annual athletic banquet, the summer physical examination round-up and the immunization program. The P.T.A. helped in establishing the hot lunch program and turned over the equipment, which they had purchased, to the school. In 1951 the Catherine Parker Memorial Scholarship Fund was established and in 1954 the first life membership was awarded.

MAROA HIGH SCHOOL P.T.A.

On October 4, 1929, parents of the high school pupils were invited to the high school by Mr. E. H. Menke, Principal, to discuss the organization of a separate



E. H. Menke



Mrs. W. C.
McGuire



Mrs. T. R. Cox



Mrs. George
Waller



Mrs. N. B.
Stoutenborough

P.T.A. Prior to this time the meetings were held with the Maroa Grade School. By-laws were drawn up and officers elected. These Charter Officers, all living today are: Mrs. W. C. McGuire, President; Mrs. T. R. Cox, Vice-President; Mrs. George Waller, Treasurer, and Mrs. N. B. Stoutenborough, Secretary. Mr. Menke now resides in Denver, Colorado.

In the year 1931 a new high school was built. The first meeting of the P.T.A. in the new building was March 31, 1931. A brief business session and observance of "School Night" was well attended, with great pleasure, satisfaction, and pride expressed in the new building and class work observed. The P.T.A. at that time had a "School Beautiful" committee working to plant trees and shrubs around the new school.

This organization has been active in bringing the community news of the State and National fields of P.T.A. Students participate on panels, in music in the form of glee clubs, solos, band and instrumental numbers, hobby shows, Home Economics Class Style Show and a display by the Industrial Arts Class. Speech Awards are presented each year by this organization to the English Class.

Contributions have been made to the new National P.T.A. Headquarters Building Fund. This building, located in Chicago, will be dedicated at the State Convention in 1955. Each year contributions have been made to the Scholarship Fund. A Life Membership was presented in 1952-53 and also in 1953-54. The funds from life memberships are used to provide scholarships for students who agree to become teachers in the state of Illinois. The P.T.A. provides a treat for the students at Christmas and also assists in sending as many students as possible to band camp.

The Maroa Grade School P.T.A. and the Maroa High School P.T.A. have upheld the Objects of the state P.T.A. The consolidation of the schools into a unit has shown an increased membership and attendance at the meetings. Today's interest in the P.T.A. is still keen, proving it to be one of the worthwhile organizations of our community.

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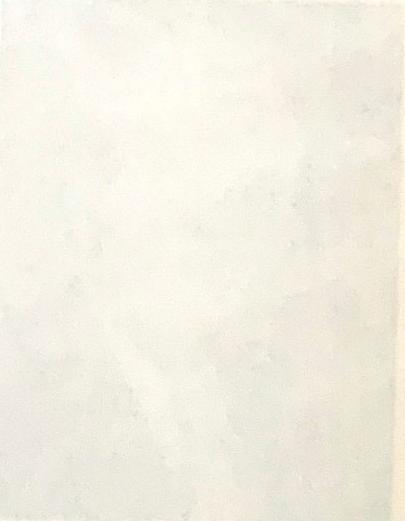


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HISTORY OF MAROA LODGE NO. 454 A. F. & A. M.

Maroa Masonic Lodge held its first meeting on July 4, 1890, in the basement of the Grand Lodge of Illinois. The officers at that meeting were:

J. H. Astor, W. M.
J. W. Crocker, S. W.
O. J. Harland, J. W.
C. W. Conover, Secretary
S. Lowe, Treasurer

On the 11th day of August 1895 the Lodge was chartered by the Grand Lodge of Illinois. The first Master of the Lodge was J. H. Crocker. In 1896 the Lodge moved into the Maroa Temple building. The cornerstone of the Maroa Temple was laid August 16, 1911. Since the loss of the Temple building by fire in 1948 the Lodge has met in the Maroa High School building.

MASTERS OF MAROA MASONIC LODGE

J. H. ASTOR, 1890
J. W. CROCKER, 1891
O. J. HARLAND, 1892
C. W. CONOVER, 1893
S. LOWE, 1894

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David Ramsey, 1895-96
J. H. Morgan, 1896-97
J. H. Sterling, 1897-98

STEAK - CHICKEN DINNERS

5 O'CLOCK 'TIL 11:30 P.M.

NO MINORS ALLOWED WITHOUT PARENTS

The Lodge was organized the 1st of the year 1966 and when they made their report for the year ending December 1966 they had increased from 44 members to 56 members. It was chartered by Morris Quayle in June 1966.

From Father Josephine Lohr, instituted on November 1, 1966 by Michael Lohr, of St. John's Church. There were 20 brothers and 37 sisters who formed the Charter Members.

Nobie Grand, Michael Lohr, Bill, Vira Grand, Julie Stahl, Helen Baker, Mary, Michael Lampman, Roberta, Helen Tipton, membership has increased to 60 members. Order Charter was accepted by General Deputy of Illinois Federation.

WHITE ACACIA CHAPTER

NO. 208 G. D. B.

Maroa, Illinois

Second Friday, 7:30 P.M.

White Acacia Chapter was granted March 13, 1966. First Craft Chapter added to Chapter No. 130. Chapter No. 130, Grand Chapter, Illinois, was the first chapter to be granted to the State of Illinois.

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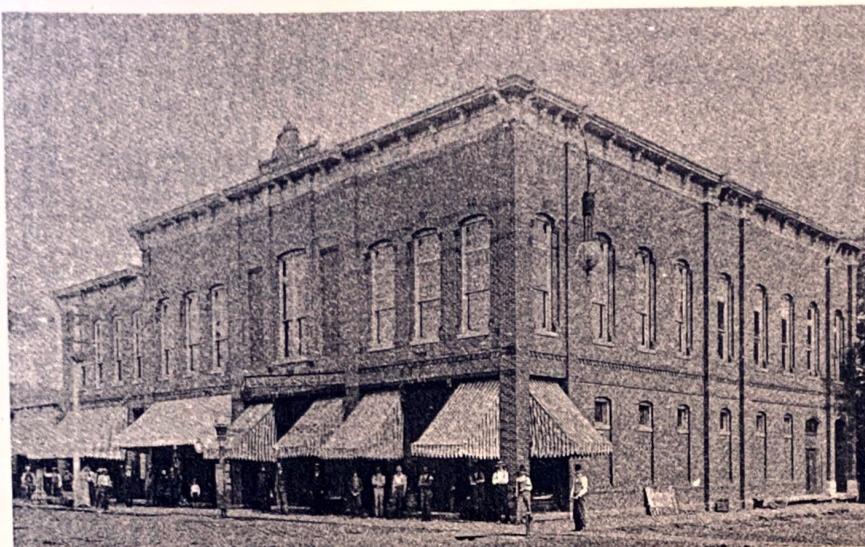
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HISTORY OF MAROA LODGE NO. 454 A. F. & A. M.

Maroa Masonic Lodge held its first meeting on July 4, 1865 by dispensation of the Grand Lodge of Illinois. The officers at that meeting were:

J. H. Axton, W. M.
J. H. Crocker, S. W.
O. J. Harland, J. W.
G. W. Conover, Treasurer
S. Lowe, Secretary

On the 4th day of October, 1865 the lodge was chartered as Maroa Lodge No. 454 A. F. & A. M. Principal officers were:

J. H. Crocker, W. M.
Rufus Crocker, S. W.
O. J. Harland, J. W.

The cornerstone of the Masonic Temple was laid August 19, 1884. Since the loss of the Temple building by fire in 1946 the lodge has met in the Kammarmeyer building.

MASTERS OF MAROA MASONIC LODGE

J. H. Axton, 1865
J. H. Crocker, 1866-67-68
Rufus C. Crocker, 1869-70
Joseph Jones, 1871-72-73
Thos. N. Leavitt, 1874-75
Wm. M. Phares, 1876 to 83
W. H. Austin, 1884-85
F. M. Smith, 1886-87
J. Crocker, 1888
Wm. M. Phares, 1889-90
Thos. P. Miller, 1891-92

David Rainey, 1893-94
J. R. Morgan, 1895-96
J. H. Sterling, 1897-98
J. M. Rammel, 1899
F. M. Smith, 1900
Samuel Friedman, 1901
W. J. Compton, 1902-03
W. T. McLean, 1904
F. L. Bogle, 1905
Lon W. Smith, 1906-07
W. H. Stonebraker, 1908
Chas. J. Spooner, 1909
A. V. Bowden, 1910
C. F. Crum, 1911-12
Travis Redmon, 1913
R. E. Vernor, 1914
H. A. Morgan, 1915
Geo. S. Cooper, 1916
A. V. Bowden, 1917-18
S. D. Rainey, 1919-20
C. F. Crum, 1921
Geo. H. Stoutenborough, 1922
P. O. Redmon, 1923
E. P. McLean, 1924
S. E. Roberts, 1925
Geo. H. Waller, 1926-27
W. W. Ward, 1928
C. F. Crum, Jr., 1929
Geo. H. Stoutenborough, 1930
R. R. Lyons, 1931
J. W. Johnson, 1932
Wm. H. Osborn, 1933
J. J. Johnson, 1934
W. W. Ward, 1935
D. H. Bowden, 1936
G. M. Morrow, 1937
A. V. Bowden, 1938-39-40
Wm. H. Osborn, 1941
D. H. Bowden, 1942
H. E. Eagler, 1943
H. E. Adams, 1944-45
Coy Jr. Agee, 1946

John J. Ward, 1947
Robt. D. Bolen, Jr., 1948
Geo. W. Groves, 1949
Earl Kammarmeyer, 1950
D. T. Hughes, 1951
Wayne Fyke, 1952
Leonard Braden, 1953
Elmer E. Gardner, 1954

QUEEN ESTHER REBEKAH LODGE NO. 193

Instituted on January 30, 1888 by W. F. Calhoun of Clinton, Illinois. There were 21 brothers and 23 sisters who formed the Charter Members. The first officers were: Noble Grand, W. A. Stiedly; Vice Grand, Mrs. Louisa Crocker; Secretary, Mrs. Fannie Miller; Treasurer, Mrs. Mary D. Kent.

The lodge was instituted the first of the year 1888 and when they made their report for the year ending December 1888 they had increased from 44 members to 94 members. It was closed by Mable Quayle in June, 1941.

Queen Esther Rebekah Lodge No. 98 was instituted on February 14, 1951 by Mildred Lebduska of Berwyn, Illinois. There were 3 brothers and 37 sisters who formed the Charter Members.

Noble Grand, Mildred Luckenbill; Vice Grand, Julia Swain; Secretary, Helen Bolen; Financial Secretary, Mildred Kammarmeyer; Treasurer, Helen Hinkle. The membership has increased to 60 members. Grace Clark was appointed Special Deputy by Mildred Lebduska.

ROSE ACACIA CHAPTER

NO. 266 O. E. S.

Maroa, Illinois

Second Friday, 7:30 P. M.

Rose Acacia Chapter was organized March 13, 1894. Deputy Grand Officers acted as Officers. Myrtle Chapter No. 131, Clinton, Illinois, exemplified the floral work. Thirty-one members were initiated at this time and by the time Grand Chapter was held in Chicago in October, forty-one had been initiated, making a total of seventy-two charter members. We now have one hundred seventy-five members, living in twelve different states. Our main project is our two Eastern Star homes, one for the physically ill at Ma-

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	S. A. Friedman		Geo. Stoutenborough
1894-95	Luella Stafford	1929-30	Iona Stoutenborough
	Dr. W. T. McLean		Geo. Stoutenborough
1895-96	Nannie Hager	1930-31	Leota Ward
	Dr. W. T. McLean		Walter Ward
1896-97	Margaret McLean	1931-32	Alverta Potter
	Dr. W. T. McLean		M. E. Huston
1897-99	Ada Shipley	1932-33	Zelva Caplinger
	Dr. Geo. Edmonson		Leonard Caplinger
1899-1900	Kate Phares	1933-34	Ethel Longsdorff
	Dr. W. T. McLean		J. E. Longsdorff
1900-01	Laura Mayall	1934-35	Lillie Ward
	James Sterling		J. E. Longsdorff
1901-02	Clara Harris	1935-36	Flora Caplinger
	J. P. Morgan		Leonard Caplinger
1902-03	Emma Parker	1936-37	Betty Hippard
	D. N. Gray		Geo. Waller
1903-04	Emma Sterling	1937-38	Dottie Osborn
	D. N. Gray		Leonard Caplinger
1904-05	Rena Hoffman	1938-39	Dorothy Bean
	D. N. Gray		Edwin Bean
1905-06	Rena Hoffman	1939-40	Helen Bolen
	Dr. C. M. Wood		Leonard Caplinger
1906-07	Anna Gray	1940-41	Ruth Bunner
	D. N. Gray		Herbert Adams
1907-08	Ellen Smith	1941-42	Lucille Eagler
	Marion Smith		Herman Eagler
1908-09	Lillian Miller	1942-43	Marthalouise Stouten-
	T. L. Bogle		borough
1909-10	Hannah Parker		Leonard Caplinger
	R. E. Verner	1943-44	Florence Groves
1910-11	Clara Harris		Milton Batchelder
	R. E. Verner	1944-45	Lois Schenck
1911-12	Martha Ammann		Geo. Stoutenborough
	R. E. Verner	1945-46	Lucille Batchelder
1912-13	Lillian Miller		Milton Batchelder
	R. E. Verner	1946-47	Mildred Kammarmeyer
1913-14	Achsa Ames		Coy Agee
	Virgil Leach	1947-48	Ruth Warner
1914-16	Mate Verner		John Admire
	Dr. R. E. Verner	1948-49	Ruth Ferrill
1916-17	Ella Grady		Ray Ferrill
	Dr. R. E. Verner	1949-50	Leilah Kammarmeyer
1917-19	Clara Harris		Earl Kammarmeyer
	Dr. W. T. McLean	1950-51	Virginia Lienhart
1919-20	Lucile Shipley		Harold Lienhart
	James Worsham	1951-52	Mary Leach
1920-21	Helen Waller		James Leach
	David Rainey	1952-53	Evelyn Hoffman
1921-22	Bernice Grady		Edward Hoffman
	David Rainey	1953-54	Elsie Mouser
1922-23	Bertha Funk		Homer Mouser
	Herman Eagler		
1923-24	Olive Craig	We have no living Charter	
	Walter Ward	members, but there are five who	
1924-25	Bessie Ward	have been members more than	
	Walter Ward	fifty years.	
1925-26	Alta Stoutenborough	Lillian Miller—58 years	
	Geo. Stoutenborough	Nellie Huston—56 years	
1926-27	Esther Rainey	Vada Ettlinger—55 years	
	Walter Ward	Rena Hoffman—52 years	
1927-28	Mary Lyons	Emma Morgan—52 years	
	Roy Stoutenborough	We have had only 13 secretaries:	
		Marie Hill—2 years	
		Roberta Rainey—3 years	
		Luella Stafford—9 years	
		Achsa Ames—4 years	

Ellen Smith—5 years
Mate Vernor—11 years
Laura Schroeder—6 years
Iona Stoutenborough—3 years
Lillie Ward—5 years
Lucille Eagler—2 years
Ethel Longsdorff—4 years
Ruth Ferrill—5 years

CLOVER LEAF TEMPLE NO. 20, PYTHIAN SISTERS

Royal Lodge No. 109, Knights of Pythias, was organized in Maroa, June 15, 1887.

The woman's auxiliary to this lodge was organized in Maroa, May 31, 1893 and was known as Clover Leaf Temple No. 20, Rathbone Sisters of the Grand Jurisdiction of the state of Illinois. There were 49 Charter members, 32 sisters and 17 brothers. This membership gradually increased and in 1923 there were 150 sisters and 162 brothers, making a total membership of 312.

The name Rathbone Sisters was officially changed to Pythian Sisters at the Supreme and Grand Temple sessions of the order in 1906, and this temple has since been known as Clover Leaf Temple No. 20, Pythian Sisters.

The Temple meetings have always been held in the Knights of Pythias Hall, which is now the Masonic Hall. Regular meeting dates were the first and third Monday evenings of each month during the first year, then each Monday evening, until 1947, when again changed to first and third Monday evenings.

Officers were elected semi-annually until January 1, 1898, and since then, annually. The first officers were:

Past Chief ----- Nannie Lutz
Most Excellent Chief -----

----- Ada Shipley
Excellent Senior --- Ida Weilepp
Excellent Junior --- Rozella Jones
Manager ----- Carrie Schenck
Mrs. of Records and

Cor. ----- Estella Craig
Mrs. of Finance ----- Margurette Morgan

Protector ----- Nannie Thornhill
Guard ----- Ella Schenck

Ida Weilepp served as Grand Mrs. of Finance of the State of Illinois from 1909 to 1914. She was elected to the Pythian Home Auxiliary Board of Illinois October 19, 1916, for a term of five years. Also she assisted in the installation of Grand Officers.

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The first officers were:
President, Mrs. Lena Oehlman;
Vice Pres., Mrs. Jessie Gabors;
and Vice-Pres., Mrs. Zena Goff.

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Application for the charter was made February 1 of that year. The organizational meeting was held in the home of Rev. and Mrs. Richard Archer on Feb. 22, 1934. Mrs. W. E. Hartman, first departmental president of Illinois and Mrs. F. A. Carmack, a past 19th District director, attended this meeting and installed the officers.

There were 15 charter members including one junior member, as follows:

Mrs. Ruth Archer
Mrs. Josie Coffman
Mrs. Lena Creekmur
Mrs. Lenora Johnson
Mrs. Bessie Vaughn
Mrs. Edna Margenthaler
Mrs. Lena Stoutenborough
Mrs. Edith Brenning
Mrs. Gertrude Stonebraker
Norma Jean Stormer, junior
Mrs. Minnie Cramer
Mrs. Lucille Eagler
Mrs. Hazel Liming
Mrs. Dottie Osborn
Mrs. Nira Stormer

The first officers were:

President, Mrs. Lena Creekmur
Vice-Pres., Mrs. Dottie Osborn
2nd Vice-Pres., Mrs. Josie Coffman
Secy., Mrs. Lena Stoutenborough
Treas., Mrs. Hazel Liming
Chaplain, Mrs. Ruth Archer
Sergeant-at-Arms, Mrs. Gertrude Stonebraker

From the very beginning the unit participated in child welfare work, sent needed articles to the Danville Veterans' Hospital, sold poppies on Memorial Day to raise money for rehabilitation projects for veterans, wrote letters to senators and congressmen concerning Legion sponsored legislation, and honored the Gold Star Mothers.

The unit membership remained about the same, 15 to 18 members, 3 juniors sometimes, until 1945. Regular meetings were held in the homes on the second Monday night of each month, and the members maintained their interest and participation in the various phases of Auxiliary work: Child Welfare, Rehabilitation, Community Service, and Americanism.

In the fall of 1945 many local men returned from service in World War II, and a number of them joined the "Legion." Several, also, of the wives, mothers,



Stanley Cramer Military Funeral

and sisters of these service men joined the Legion Auxiliary, so that the membership increased to 27. More activities were undertaken, more money raised, and used for the various projects.

Beginning in 1946, the Auxiliary sent local girls to Girls' State: Helen Mashburn, 1946; Dorothy Gentle, 1947; Carolyn Grimes, 1948; Marjorie Leach, 1949; Norma Jean Stormer, 1950; Sharilyn Cooper, 1952.

In 1952 the membership reached 61; the budget and projects were increased proportionately. Meetings have been held in the Community Building since that building has been available for use.

Those who have served the unit as president are:

Mrs. Lena Creekmur
Mrs. Dottie Osborn
Mrs. Edna Margenthaler
Mrs. Gertrude Stonebraker
Mrs. Bessie Vaughn
Mrs. Nira Stormer
Mrs. Charles Kinkaid
Mrs. Josie Coffman
Mrs. Nigel Marlatt
Mrs. Agnes Osborn
Mrs. Helen Brandon
Mrs. Charlotte Earles
Mrs. Joanna Stuller
Mrs. Harriet Pulliam
Mrs. Jane Cooper
Mrs. Dorothy Braden
Mrs. Roberta Ruble

The whole purpose of the organization is service to the veterans and to their families. The present membership is 54. Mrs. Roberta Ruble is president.



G. A. R. LINGLE POST ABOUT 1900

Back row—F. K. Bohrer, Governor Conover, Caleb Westbrook, E. G. Covault, J. M. Walker.
Middle row—W. W. Nesbitt, Capt. T. H. Barr, T. N. Leavitt, J. J. Leach, A. W. Kinnaman.
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MAROA LIONS CLUB

The Maroa Lions Club was chartered April 9, 1941 with the following as charter members:

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Robert Stoutenborough
Herbert Kammarmeyer
J. C. Warner
O. H. Meyer
H. E. Adams
James J. Parker
Alfred Lloyd
S. E. Burke
N. B. Stoutenborough
S. D. Rainey
W. D. Milnes
M. J. Nicol
J. Waldo Montgomery
Loren R. Lewis
C. A. Pollard
Gerald Hilt
R. E. Stoutenborough
W. H. Osborn
W. D. Keyes
C. R. Hippard
Fred M. Grady
B. I. Myers
M. E. Huston
D. M. Dewhurst
R. C. Stoutenborough

Four of the projects which the Maroa Lions Club sponsored were:

The Maroa Memorial Community Center Building.

The Maroa Countryside Fire Protection District.

Installation of Traffic Flasher Signals at the intersection of Route 51 and W. Main Street.

Annual Labor Day Chicken Fry with proceeds going toward something for the betterment of the community.

LIBRARY

"Maroa Library Association was organized August 27, 1870, through the instrumentality of Rev. J. A. Hood, and is at present (1876) organized under State law. The library, tho quite small, has been a source of improvement to its patrons, and no doubt will, in the course of a few years, become the nucleus of a library that will be an honor to its founders and the citizens of Maroa. Among the liberal donors to this institution, as to all others that have the improvement of his fellow citizens as their object and aim, we mention, specially, Elder John Crocker." (Copied from the "History of Macon County," published 1876.)

We read in the above quota-

tion the beginning of the Maroa Township Library. For several years the Library Association provided reading material for the community. As far as we can determine the Association closed its work in the twenties and the books were stored.

In 1937 the Works Progress Administration established a library in a small building just south of the interurban station. A local library committee consisting of six members was secured to supervise and direct the work of the library. The following persons were members of the committee: Mrs. George Stoutenborough, Mrs. N. B. Stoutenborough, Mrs. Robert Stoutenborough, Mrs. W. C. McGuire, W. H. Meils, and Odos Miller. Library clerks were Mrs. Mary Chandler and Mrs. Bessie Vaughn.

The Library received most of its financial and material backing from the W. P. A. The Library, however, was also sponsored by the State Library in Springfield and received many books from that source. The books of the old library association were added to the available supply.

When the W. P. A. project was discontinued the City helped finance the Library. In the Township election in 1945 it was voted to put the Library on Township support.

At present the Maroa Township Library is located one door east of the Post Office. It is open Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday from 1:30 P. M. to 5:30 P. M. There are 2,588 volumes on the shelves plus 100 rented books and 150 borrowed from the State Library extension service. Twenty-four periodicals, adult and juvenile, are also available for reading.

The present Library Board members are: Mrs. Edwin Moore, Mrs. Robt. Stoutenborough, Mrs. George Gentle, Mrs. Chas. Creekmur, Mrs. Herman Eagler and Mrs. Edward Crabtree. The Librarian is Mrs. Vida Schultz.

BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

The Methodist Men's Club of the Maroa Methodist Church voted on May 16, 1952 to sponsor a Scout Troop. A Troop Committee was formed consisting of Charlie Kinkaid, James Wheeler,

Ray Doak, Rev. D. C. Ellinwood, Robert Vorce, Wm. Schultz, Jr., and Rev. H. McCullough, with James Barr as temporary chairman. Elston Mitchell was appointed Scoutmaster with Bernard Myers and David Catlin, assistants.

Charter members of the troop are Harold Arnold, Robert Connelly, Thomas Meador, Phillip Odle, Benny Caplinger, Charles Glen, Philip Hunt, Dale Fathauer, Barr Stoutenborough, Oren Groves, Kermit Dealey, Robert Kinkaid, Larry Haines, Kenneth Chalcraft, Thomas Dash, Clarence Ethington, Walter Query, Jr., and Richard Lazelle. All except one of this group are 1954 members, with the following new ones: Ronald Terrell, Richard Bennett, Ronald Brown, Marvin Gaither, Gary Archey, Richard Bush, Richard Ethington, Roy Eugene Groves, John Parker, Roy Allsup, Jr., Junior Odle, Gary McClung, Robert Woods, and Larry McClung, the last three being transfers.

Meetings have been held in the basement of the Presbyterian Church and part of the time at the High School. A camping site was granted by the C. H. Moore Estate close to Salt Creek.

At present, David Catlin is Scoutmaster and Bernard Myers, assistant. O. K. Dealey is Chairman of the Troop Committee.

The Boy Scout Parents Club was organized on November 16, 1953, following a potluck supper held in the Presbyterian Church basement. The following officers were elected:

President, Mrs. Harold Groves; Vice-Pres., Mrs. Melbourne Lazelle; Secy.-Treas., Mrs. B. F. Caplinger, Jr.

MAROA FLOWER CLUB

According to an issue of The Maroa News-Times, The Maroa Flower Club was organized in October 1928 with the following eight members: Oma Whitehead, President, Lula Parker, Nellie Huston, Lottie Mettler, Mate Verne, Estella Luckenbill, Minnie Nowlin and Julia McGue. The first meeting was held in the home of Lottie Mettler.

In 1929 there were 40 members, including three men. The president was Estella Luckenbill and the first flower show was held that year on August 17, in

the time I have had
in the office. I would
like to thank you for your
kind words and for your
encouragement which
will be much for
me.

The 1st of October arrived.
The month started with
unusually favorable winds and
the winds were strong until
about 10 AM. After noon
however winds died down
and did not start again
until about 4 PM. Wind
was very moderate up
to the second instant but at
last we were still in the
water because the wind
had stopped. We had
about enough food to last
us until the next day.

We had a bad night
because of the wind
which was strong
the whole night and
we were still in the
water because the wind
had stopped. We had
about enough food to last
us until the next day.

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would not be possible for me
to write all the details
concerning our trip but
what I will say is that
we were in a position
to begin collecting all around
the lake except out at those

parts where there
was a favorable current which
helped us along. In these
parts we had to travel
slowly because we had to
travel slowly because of
the slow current so to catch
the fish we had to travel
slowly and catch them
as they came along. This
was a slow process but
we did not mind it as
we had plenty of time
and we did not mind
it.

We kept catching smaller
and smaller fish because
of the slow current but
they were still good
fish. Some of the fish
that we caught were
not very large but they
were still good fish. We
did not mind it as we
had plenty of time
and we did not mind
it.

Then we began to catch
larger fish because the
current was getting stronger
and stronger. We had to
travel faster because
the current was getting
stronger and stronger.

Now we begin to catch
larger fish because the
current was getting stronger
and stronger. We had to
travel faster because
the current was getting
stronger and stronger.

After about three
hours we got off
the lake and headed
towards home.

When we got home
we found that we had
caught a lot of fish.

We had a lot of fish
but we did not catch
as many as we had hoped
but we did catch a lot
of fish.

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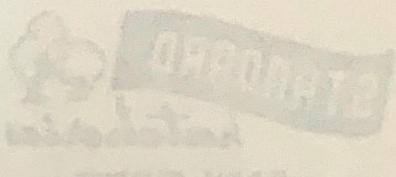
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the Presbyterian Church basement.

Free Flower Shows have been held annually, with prizes given for canned foods and fresh fruits and vegetables, as well as flowers.

At present there are 47 members with the following officers: President, Leilah Kammarmeyer; Vice-President, Lola Myers; Secretary, Marie Lienhart; Treasurer, Bertha Funk. Monthly meetings are held in the Community Building.

MAROA FUN CLUB HISTORY

The Maroa Fun Club was formed by Mrs. Joye Richardson and Mrs. Dolores Hein October 30, 1953. The purpose of the club is to provide extra activities for the Maroa girls of twelve years or older.

The club meets on Friday at 7:30 p.m. in the Community Center. The initiation fee is 15c and weekly dues are 10c.

Every six weeks officers are elected. This way every girl gets an opportunity to be an officer in a short time as new officers are elected each six weeks until everyone has served. The officers plan all activities for the duration of their term. Each meeting



Top row, left to right—Mrs. Don Heien, Adrienne Stoutenborough, Shirley Thompson, Lois James, Maureen Gardner, Joyce Greeson, Patty Eastham, Judy Jackson, Mrs. Gene Richardson.

Middle Row—Phyllis Pulliam, Joan Withers, Iantha Housel, Lynette Morgan, Lynette Boyer.

Bottom Row—Priscilla James, Judy Allsup, Carol Glenn, Della James.

windows, raked yards, read stories to children, dusted homes, night one or a group of girls volunteer to donate refreshments for the following meeting.

In order to raise money for the Centennial the girls had "Hobo Day" on Saturdays. They washed

swept porches, washed cars, ran errands and did baby sitting.

To date some of the many activities have been: Holiday Parties, Skating Parties, Movie Nights and Game Nights.

The club is simply what its name implies—a "Fun Club."

The Maroa Home Bureau Unit was organized in 1931 at the home of Mrs. Elwood Hanes, with the following officers: Chairman—Mrs. Elwood Hanes; Vice-Chairman—Mrs. Joe Longsdorff; Secretary and Treasurer—Mrs. R. O. Crouch; Reporter—Mrs. C. S. Myers; Local Leaders—Mrs. W. H. Troxell and Mrs. Arthur Lienhart. Other charter members were Mrs. Howard Gray, Mrs. Frank Stoutenborough, Mrs. E. Menke, Mrs. Ernest Braden, Mrs. Howard Lyman, Mrs. Orville Wikoff and Mrs. C. R. Braden. Miss Mary Omen was the Home Adviser and her first lessons were "Landscaping and Gardening" and "Arrangement of Furniture."

The Maroa Unit helps to sponsor 4-H Clubs in the community and was beneficial in organizing the Town and Country Unit.

Mrs. James Berry, Mrs. C. M. Wood and Mrs. W. T. McLean were added to the membership during the first year.

The 1954 membership is 43 and the officers are as follows: Chairman—Edith Wikoff; Vice-Chairman—Lola Myers; Secretary—Marie Lienhart, Treasurer—Margaret McGuire.

The Maroa Town and Country Home Bureau Unit was organized on May 1, 1946 in the Maroa Methodist Church, with the following charter

members: Mrs. Keith Brett, Mrs. David Brett, Mrs. Wilbur King, Mrs. Emil Connelly, Mrs. Henry Bennett, Mrs. John Spreckelmeyer, Mrs. Ralph Hanes, Mrs. Corwin Marsh, Mrs. George Groves, Mrs. Bernard Batchelder.

The meetings of the group are held in the homes of the members on the first Wednesday of each month, with all-day meetings during November, December, January and February.

The first officers of the unit included: Chairman—Mrs. Corwin Marsh; Vice-Chairman—Mrs. George Groves; Ass't Vice-Chairman—Mrs. Bernard Batchelder; Secretary—Mrs. Henry Bennett; Treasurer—Mrs. Emil Connelly; Ass't Treasurer—Mrs. Ralph Hanes.

The present officers for 1953-54 include: Chairman—Mrs. G. G. Rhodes; Vice-Chairman—Mrs. Charles Stoutenborough; Secretary-Treasurer—Mrs. George Groves.

Some of the activities of the group during the past years have been bakery sales, rummage sales, craft classes, family picnics, parties for husbands, sale of picnic baskets, and entertaining the other two Maroa units at teas.

At the present time there are twenty-six members and two of our members have served on the County Board.

most violent disagreements among students and others at the university that involved their parents and political groups from the religious and anti-religious left and right wings.

Recent student protest groups have come together, and some believe, under some leadership, under the name "Students United," and have chosen to focus their efforts on issues of race, gender, and class, and against policies that they feel threaten the university's mission and its students.

Students United has been involved in a number of protests, including one against the proposed expansion of the university's football stadium, and another against the university's decision to award tenure to a professor who has spoken out against the university's policies on gender and sexual orientation.

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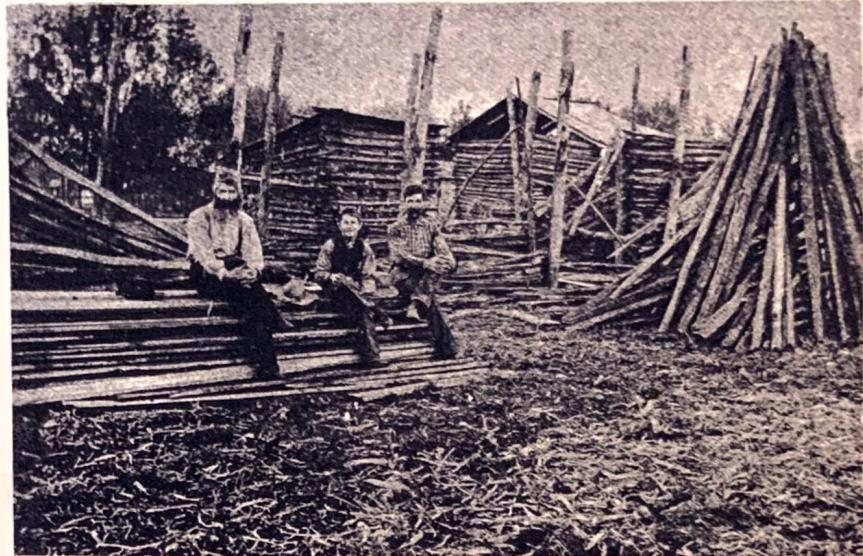
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Center Ridge Home Bureau Unit was organized December 16, 1952 with eighteen members. The officers elected were: Chairman — Kathryn Sronce; Vice-Chairman — Betty Marlow; Secretary — Nancy Gray; Treasurer — Willa Mae Tombaugh. Three names were dropped from the roll during the year and three new ones added so the membership remains at eighteen with the 1954 officers as follows: Chairman — Betty Marlow; Vice-Chairman — Nancy Gray; Secretary-Treasurer, Betty Shaw.



CONOVER'S MILITARY BAND

In 1898, George Conover conceived the idea of starting a band in Maroa. He interested the citizens in the project, a stock company was organized and shares were sold to raise money for purchasing instruments. The stockholders elected a board of nine directors and they named the organization "Conover's Military Band." Mr. Conover was selected as business manager.

Professor C. P. Maxwell of Decatur was secured as Director of the band and for many years Thursday night concerts were played on the main street of Maroa during the summer. Winter concerts were played occasionally in the Opera House.

The band played engagements throughout the State and



CONOVER'S MILITARY BAND IN 1898

Back Row: Prof. Crocker, Norman Stoutenborough, Louis Sterling, Sam Jump, Verven Braden, Clarence Leach, Ed Bennett, Ben Taylor, Velma Davis, John McLean, George Conover, manager.

Middle Row: Will Biddle, Tom Hardin, Robert Bolen, Sr., Arthur Bennett, Bert Morgan, Rolla Persinger, Albert Kempshall, Lee Kempshall, John Ferree.

Front Row: Prof. C. P. Maxwell, director, Charles Stoutenborough, George Partelow, Charles Bosler.



1855-1937

was always available for special events in Maroa. After Prof. Maxwell's retirement, succeeding Directors were Robert Walters, Oscar Schwartz, Rex Reese, all of Decatur, and then our own Sam Braden, Jr., who had long been a member of the band and its cornet soloist.

After the death of Mr. Conover in 1937, Prof. Braden managed the band for two years to round out its forty years of service and entertainment. During those years there had been more than 150 members in the band. Two of them, at least, deserve special mention. Leonard Braden started playing at the age of ten and was a cornet soloist at sixteen. Robert D. Bolen, Sr. with his slide trombone, was the only charter member who remained active in the band throughout its entire forty years.

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SPORTS

In the early days of Maroa, its citizens, as today, were very much interested in sports. Not too much is known of its activities before 1900.

According to history, one of its earliest Baseball teams was a very good one and existed just before the turn of the century. It was made up of the following players: Andy Barndt, 1b; Eph Emminger, 2b; Dave Frank, ss; Bob Leach, 3b; Buck Ford and Rolla Persinger, p; Chas. Jones, Frank Ford and Ollie Conn in the outfield, and a few others. Most of their games were played on a diamond in the northwest part of the city, on the present Vantries property. Later a ball diamond and a race track were made on a tract of land just south of our present High School, and a few games were played there. Most all of the games were played against neighboring cities because means of transportation were limited in those days.

Clinton and Maroa were great rivals on the ball diamond and special trains were sometimes run between the two cities and a band was always included on those special occasions.

About that same time a great Football team represented Maroa on the gridiron. It was made up of local boys and the oldtimers can recall that the team was never scored upon one year. However, they were held to a score-



FOOTBALL TEAM 1898

Back Row—Raymond Bowden, John Malone, unknown, Ed Heiher, Clarence Leach, Rolland Persinger, Cloris Vernon, Tom Doran.
Front Row—Charles Stein, Chart Phares, Chick Glosser, George Elliott, Levi Creekmur.

Under the management of Tom Doran and coached by Ed Heiher, this team was tied once but never beaten during its four years of playing.

less tie one Thanksgiving day at Blue Mound by a team made up largely of Northwestern University players.

Horse racing was another sport that was engaged in quite a bit in the early days. About 1904 a track was built just south of town and that was used for several years.

High School sports were very meager for many years on account of the small numbers in school. Baseball was the first sport that came to the front. The years 1907 and 1908 had two outstanding teams, made up of such

players as Phil and Travis Redmon, Roy Bennett, Carl and Weston Hobbs, James Parker, Ross Bolen, Wray Cramer, Chas. Conover, George Waller, Floyd Brake, Harry Weilepp and Bert Smith with Hugh Weilepp as manager.

Later on Football and Basketball became quite active and some outstanding teams were developed that were the pride of the community.

Semi-pro Baseball was very prominent here about 1912 to 1917, when it was stopped by World War I. Among its players was one who, years later, became one of the outstanding managers in the Big Leagues and is now Manager of Oakland, California, in the Pacific Coast League, Mr. Charlie Dressen. Other players on those teams were Phil and Travis Redmon, Ross and Clifford Bolen, Wesley Bowman, Shorty Ellison, A. C. "Doc" Ammann, Newell Harris, Don Magill, Fritz Wassem, Mush Augustine, Raymond Kitchen, Ernest Maxey, Dolly Gray, Wray Cramer and a few others. Wray Cramer had the distinction of catching every game those teams played over a period of five years.

Tennis was also quite active during those same years. A fine tennis court was located just west of the present P & E Hatchery. Some very good tennis players enjoyed it for several years.



BASEBALL TEAM

Back Row—John W. Hobbs, Ross Bolen, Charles Conover, Bert Smith, Hugh Weilepp, manager.

Front Row—Row Bennett, Phil Redmon, George Waller, Floyd Brake, Harry Weilepp.

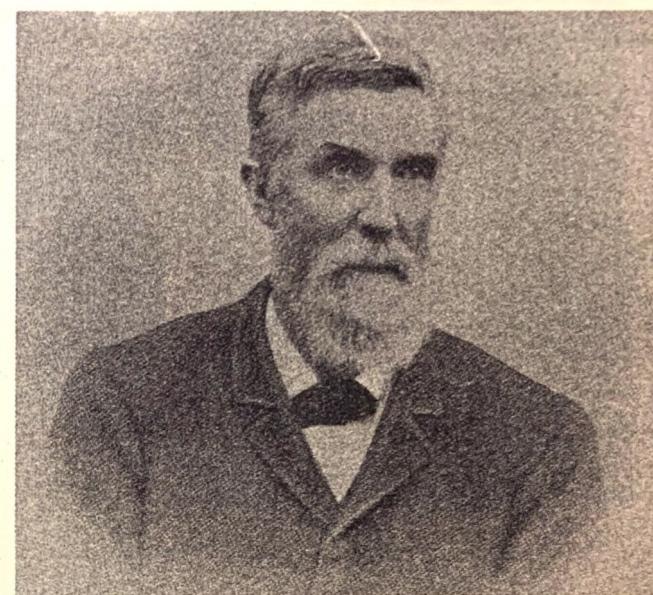


John D. Grady was born in Pennsylvania in 1825. He married Sarah Wray, who was born in 1831, and they came to this vicinity in 1854, settling on a farm one mile north and one and one half miles east of Maroa. They were the parents of six children.

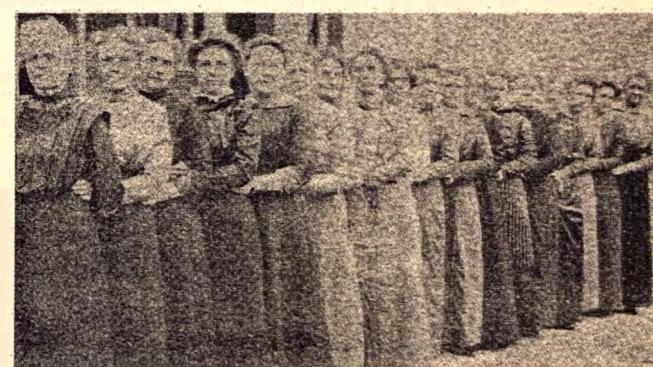
Thomas C. Grady was born in DeWitt Co., son of John D. and Sarah Grady. In 1883 he married Ella Mitchell of Webster City, Iowa. To them were born two children, Ethel (Stoutenborough) and Fred. In 1886, Mr. Grady established the Maroa Times which he edited for seventeen years. After disposing of his interests to J. F. Mettler, he opened a real estate and insurance office. After his son was admitted to the bar, they shared this office together. Mr. Grady died in 1931.

Vance R. Grady was born in 1863, son of John D. and Sarah Grady. In 1887 he married Lovie Seits, a native of Pennsylvania, who came to Illinois in 1868. They were the parents of six children; Walter, Lloyd and Floyd (twins), Ferne, Ella and Velma.

William D. Creamer was born in Clermont Co., Ohio in 1861. He came to Illinois as a farm hand in 1883. In 1887 he married Minnie, daughter of John and Sarah Grady. To this union were born five children: Edna, Wray, Hazel, Stanley and Vance. Stanley lost his life in the first world war. Mr. Creamer died in 1908.



Edward Foulke was born in Hamilton Co., Ohio in 1834. He came to Maroa Twp. in 1857 and settled south of town where his grandson, Edward, now lives. He married Adeelaide Colladay and their children were Anna, John, Edward L., Llewelyn, and Caroline. Mr. Foulke died in 1900.



THE HOUSEHOLD CLUB

Margaret McLean, Ella Stroud, Kate Friedman, Lillian Miller, Achsa Ames, Lillian Stoutenborough, Margaret Schenck, Gertrude Stoutenborough, Linnie Weyl, Adah Shipley, Christine Conover, Nan Lutz, Laura Stoutenborough, Lillian Schenck, Belle Crocker, Mamie Schenck, May Wood, Clara Harris.



Ralph Reynolds, grandson of George B. Short, owns and lives on the farm where this house stood. He replaced the house. It is located in Sec. 36, one half mile east and one half mile south of Emery.

Later, several took up golf and enjoyed its recreation.

At the present time, High

School sports and golf seem to be most prominent in the Maroa World of Sports.



THE BOLEN BROTHERS BASKETBALL TEAM

Milford, Harold, Keith, Ross, Cordell, and Robert, Jr. R. D. Bolen, Sr. in rear. One of seven Brother Basketball Teams in the U. S. in 1923. They played the High School for Benefit of the Red Cross during the Christmas Vacation in 1924—losing 25 to 22 before an overflow crowd.



SOFTBALL TEAM

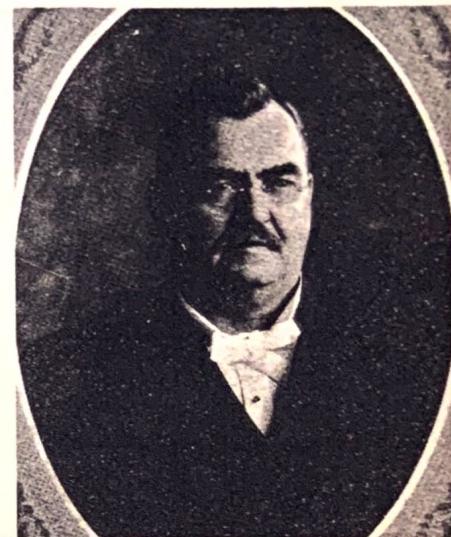
Back Row—Roger James, Walter Boyd, "Dutch" Sybert, Benny Myers, Elston Mitchell, John Rose, Bob Bolen.

Front Row—Dave Catlin, "Pete" Young, John Leach, Dave Hughes, Larry Peal and Bat Boy, Terry Peal.

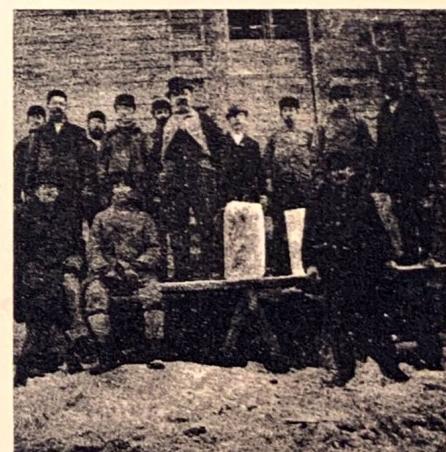
This team won third place in State of Illinois Softball in 1948.

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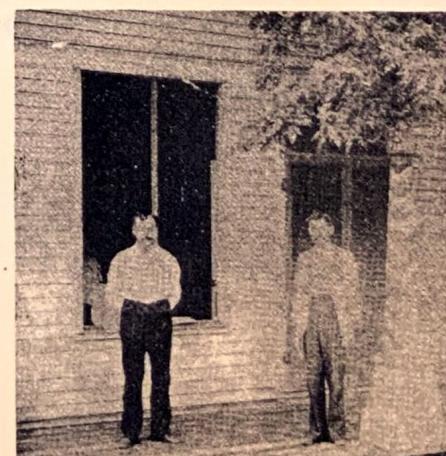
Maroa	3	Morehouse and Wells (Decatur)	2
Maroa	4	Tom's Grill (Decatur)	1
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Maroa	6	Waverly	0
Maroa	3	Mt. Vernon	2
Maroa	0	Champaign	3



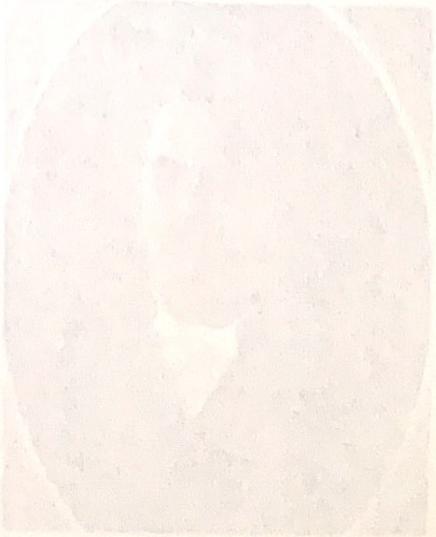
Benjamin F. Shipley, born 1850, came to Maroa from Vandalia in 1886 and was the Superintendent of Schools for seven or eight years. He married Dora Lee and after her death he married Adah Graham. They had a daughter, Lucile. In 1889 Mr. Shipley was admitted to the bar and practiced law in Maroa until his death in 1918. He was city attorney of Maroa 25 years and served as president of the School Board several terms.



Ice House and Crew

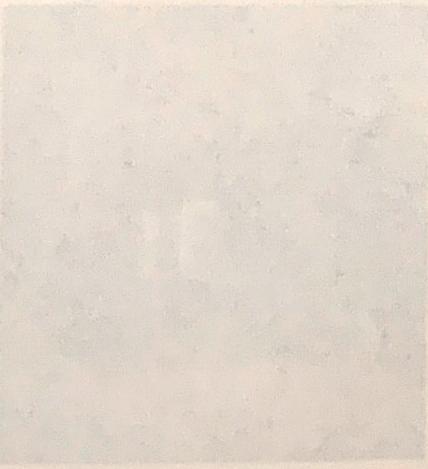


Henry Funk's Barber Shop (Henry Funk, left, and R. D. Bolen, Sr., right)

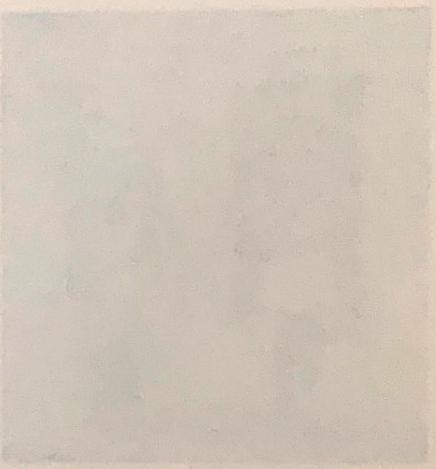


ed at once they had enough to eat
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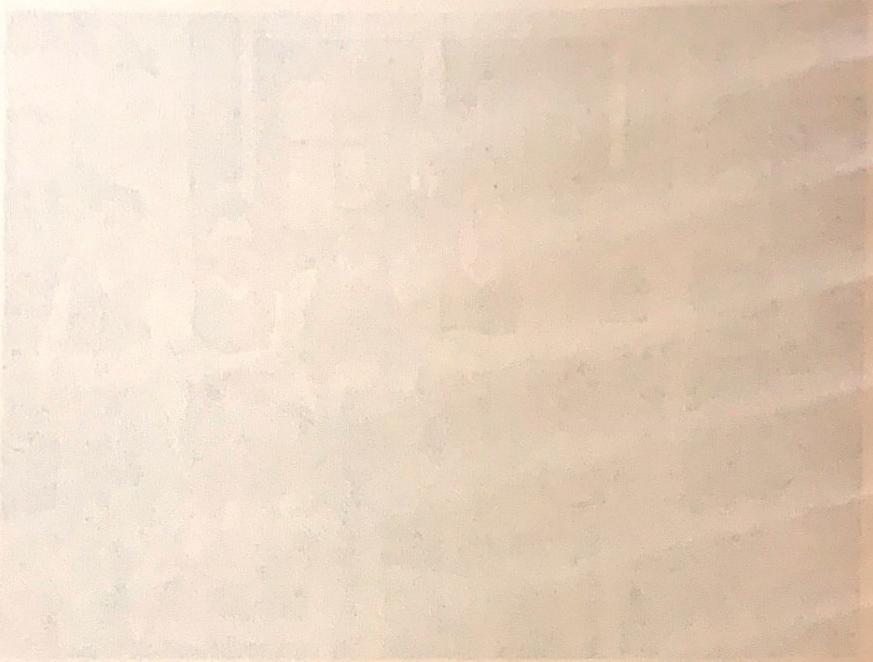
After this we went up to the top of
the hill to explore more and were
surprised to find many of the
trees had been cut down and
replaced by new ones. This was
very evident as there were no
old stumps left and the ground
was covered with new growth.



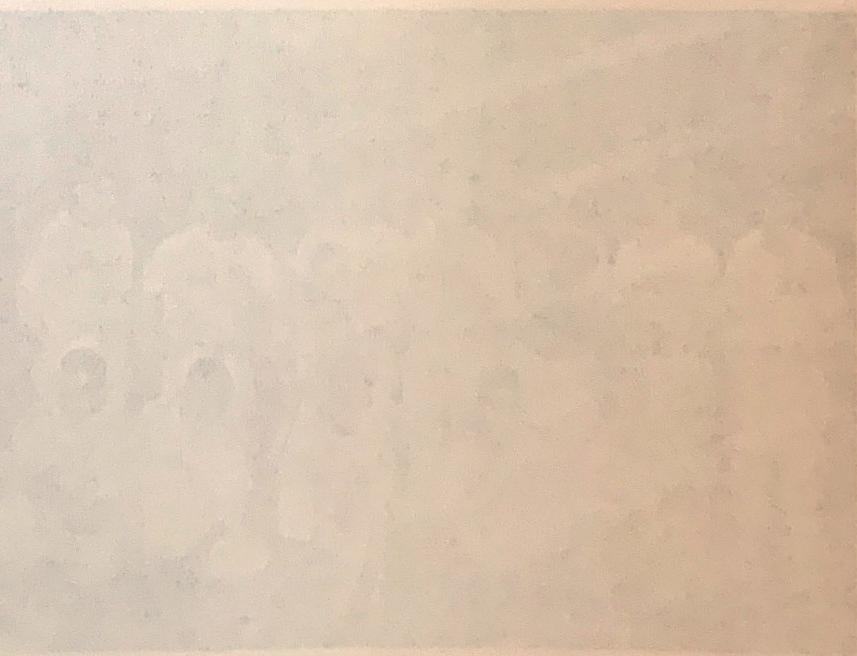
With this we left.



Then we went down the hill



and at about 10:00 a.m. reached the
bottom of the hill and found
ourselves in a valley where we
had to walk through a
thick growth of bushes and trees.
This was very difficult as
there were many fallen trees
and branches that had to be
pushed aside before we could
get through.



We had to go through this
valley for about half an hour
before we reached the bottom
of the hill and then we had
to climb up the side of the hill
again. This was very difficult
as there were many fallen
trees and branches that had to be
pushed aside before we could
get up the hill.

the first bank was organized in 1857 and carried on the business until 1858, when it became a branch office. John Emery, son of Mr. Emery, was admitted to

Mr. R. E. Emery founded the Emery & Company Bank in 1859 and conducted it until 1863 when it was incorporated with Crocker & Co. bank. At this time George Cooper was half associated with Mr. Emery, became a member of the firm and a branch moved to the site of the present bank.

A short time later Samuel A. Dickman opened a bank called the Bank of Maroa. This merged with Crocker & Co. in 1866 and

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John Crocker was born in Yer-
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1904. He married Anna
Cochran in 1857 and they made their
home in Sacramento, Calif.
(Marion), Anna P., Jean (Mrs.
Whitney), and Thomas.

Charles Whitney was born in
New York in 1833. After traveling
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Major C. F. Emery founded the C. F. Emery & Company Bank in 1872 and conducted it until 1888 when it was consolidated with the Crocker & Co. bank. At this time George Conover, who had been associated with Mr. Emery, became a member of the firm and the bank moved to the site of the present bank.

A short time later Samuel A. Friedman opened a bank called The Bank of Maroa. This merged with Crocker & Co. in 1896 and



was continued as a private bank by J. Crocker and George Conover until 1920, when it was incorporated under a state charter under the name Crocker & Co., Bankers, with J. Crocker, President; John H. Crocker (the fourth generation in Maroa, presently president of the Citizens National Bank in Decatur) Vice-President, and George Conover, Cashier. Norman Stoutenborough was associated with the bank over a period of thirty-one years.

The present bank building was erected in 1916 and was the home of Crocker & Co., Bankers, until they discontinued business in January, 1932.

The Citizens Bank was organized in 1897 by seven men who were the only stockholders. They were James H. Parker, John P. Parker, Lemuel Wikoff, John Longstreet, Miner Allsup, James Pulliam and Anthony Stouten-



borough. The officers were James H. Parker, Pres., Miner R. Allsup, Vice-Pres., David N. Gray, Cashier, and Fred O. Wikoff, Assistant Cashier. In 1920 this bank became a National Bank. It closed in 1923.

Maroa was without a bank from January, 1932 until July, 1951, when a State Bank was established and called the Bank of Maroa. The officers are George Waller, President, Robert Stoutenborough, Vice-President, Roy Carlisle, Cashier, and Robert Mitchell, Assistant Cashier. The Directors are George Waller, Robert Stoutenborough, George A. Austin, William Milnes and Robert Bolen.

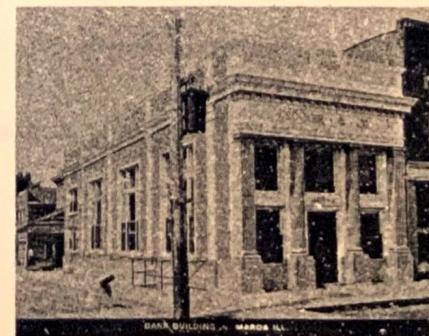


Charles F. Emery was born in New York in 1833. After traveling over the world for many years, he came to Clinton, Illinois and soon bought land in Austin Township. He served in the army during the Civil War and was

mustered out with the rank of Major. He moved to Maroa in 1872 and engaged in banking, buying and selling grain and real estate. He married Lydia Ward. Major Emery died in 1911.



John Crocker was born in Vandalia, Illinois, in 1857 and lived in Maroa from 1864 until his death in 1944. He married Arabella Baird in 1893 and they were the parents of four children: Ruth (Catlin), John H., Joan (MacWherter), and Thomas.



KINZEL AND ROBERT

John Kinzel was born in New York, February 10, 1886. He moved to Decatur, Illinois in 1907 and to Maroa, Illinois in 1911. He married Anna M. Robert in 1912.

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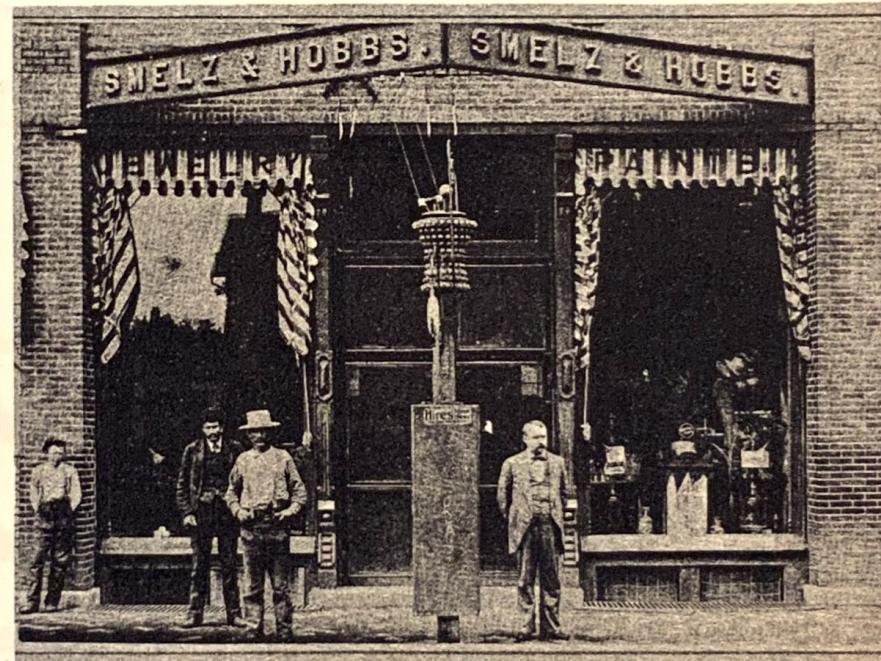
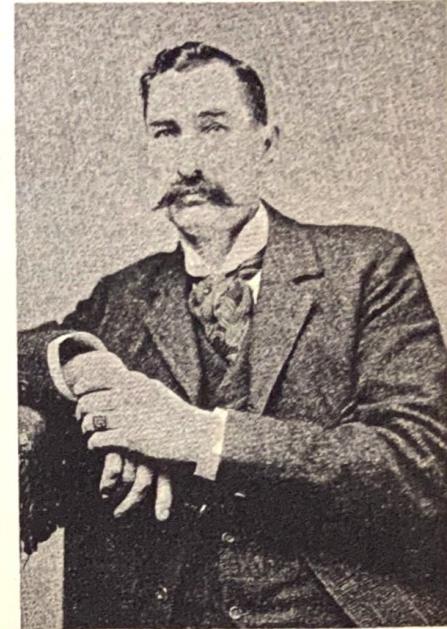
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SMELZ AND HOBBS, DRUGGISTS

John Smelz was born in Rosbach, Germany, in 1848. He came to Buffalo, N. Y. in 1857 and in 1864 enlisted in the army. He married Amanda Cox and they came to Maroa in 1874. Mr. Smelz bought one-half interest in the T. W. Deal Drug Store. Later he bought

Mr. Deal's remaining interest and in 1888 took Frank L. Hobbs in as his partner. In 1894 Cordell Funk, then sixteen years old, began to work in the store after school hours. He became a member of



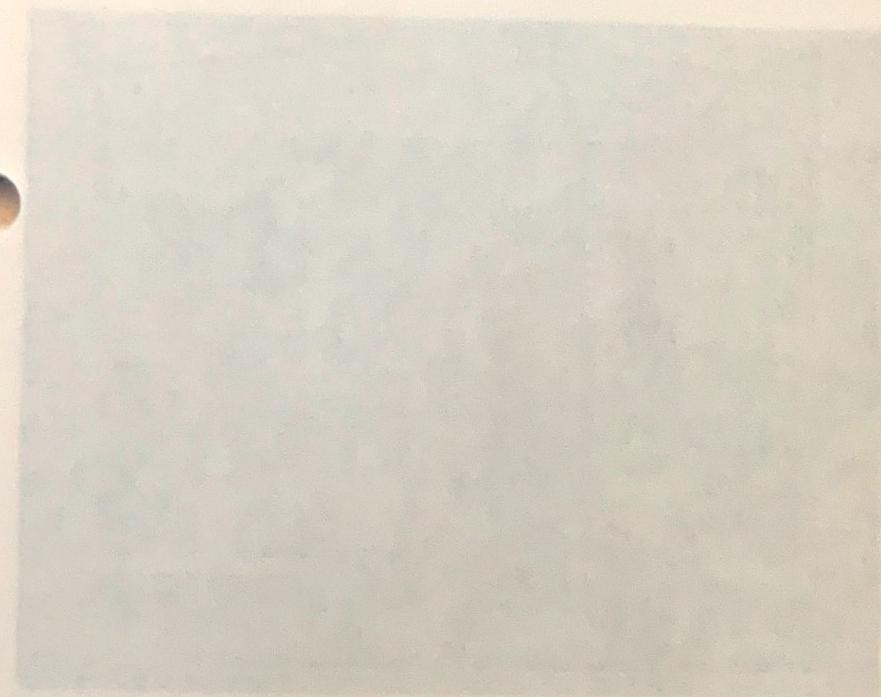
the firm in 1912 and the store name was changed to Smelz, Hobbs & Co. When Mr. Smelz died in 1931, Mr. Funk bought his interest and the store became The Rexall Store. Mr. Hobbs retired in 1936 and Mr. Funk became the sole owner and continued in business until the store was destroyed by fire in 1946.

Cordell Funk died in 1952.

Frank L. Hobbs, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lorenzo Hobbs, was an active business man in Maroa for forty-eight years. He died in 1944. Mrs. Hobbs and one son, John, head of the John Hobbs Corporation, live in Springfield, Illinois. Two sons, Carl and Clair, are deceased.

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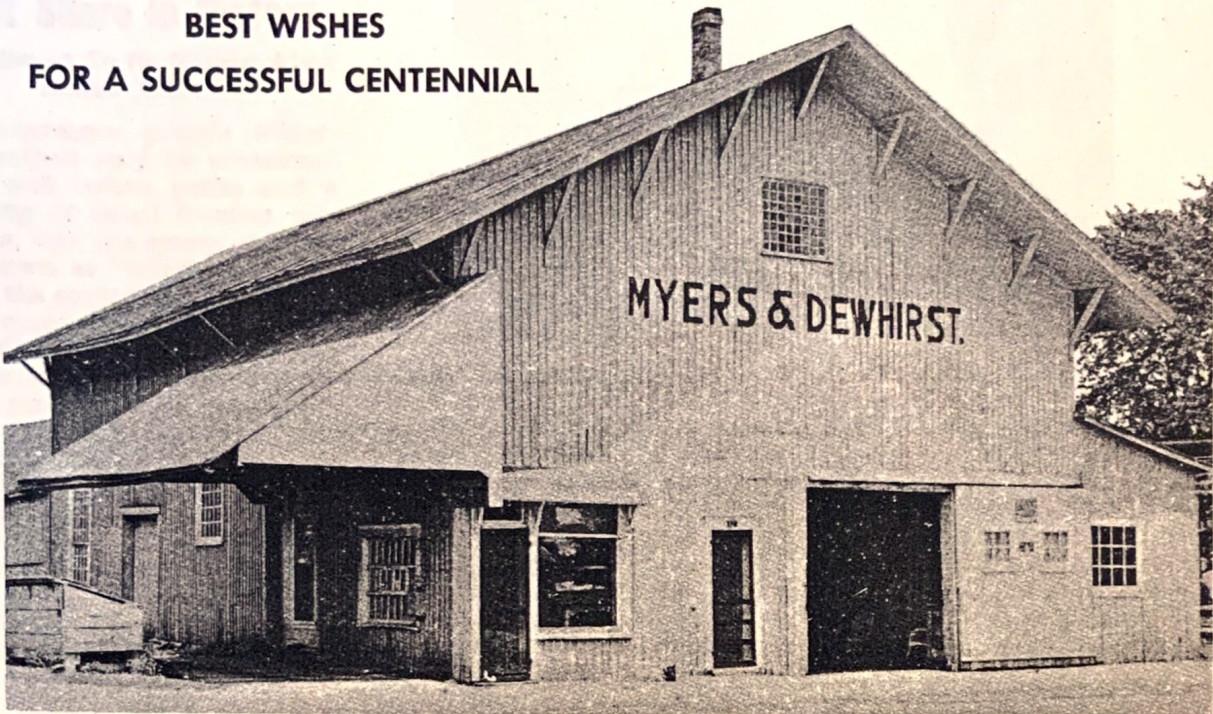
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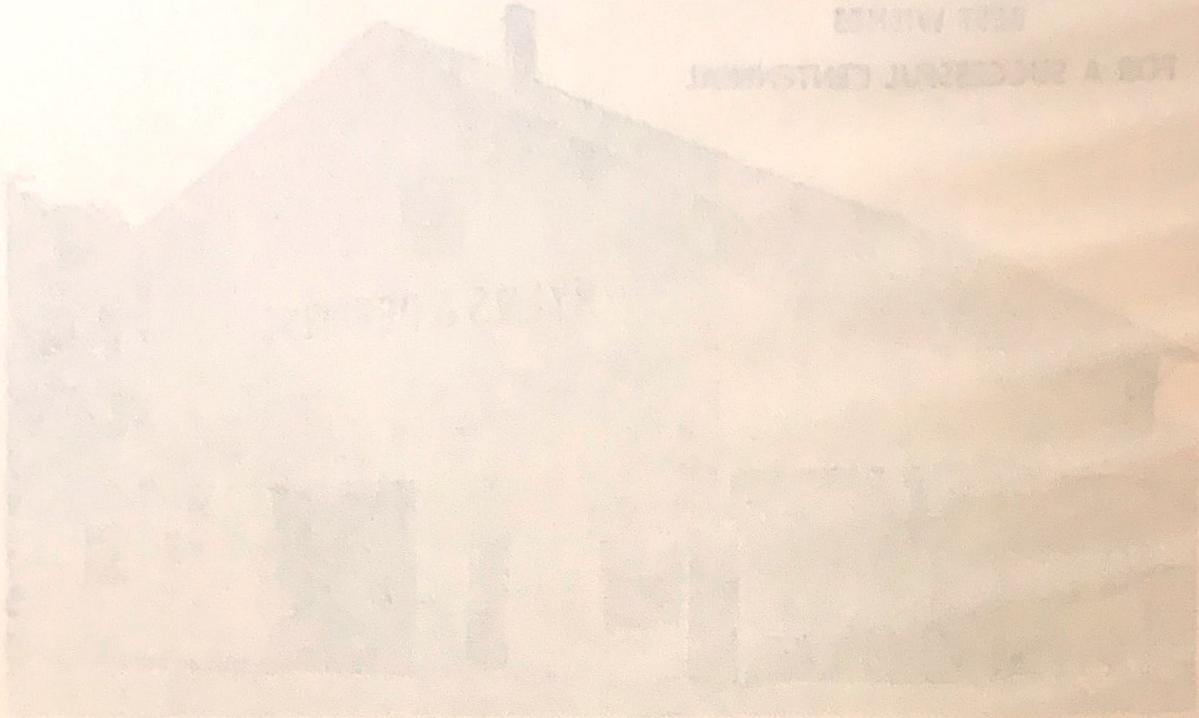
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I.C.R.R. Finds Maroa Gives It Share In History

City Believed To Be Named After
Indian Tribe

A picturesque prairie wilderness, scathed only by occasional animal and Indian paths and a sprinkling of small frontier settlements, was the sweep of territory known as "interior" Illinois back in the early 1800s. That part of the countryside which we today call "home," Maroa, was only another speck on this unending plain of rank grass and shaggy groves.

For the birth of Maroa was to await the coming of a remarkable new development in the world's culture, the steam engine and its railroads. It had, to be more exact, to await the then stupendous development of a "central railroad" project, the Illinois Central Railroad company.

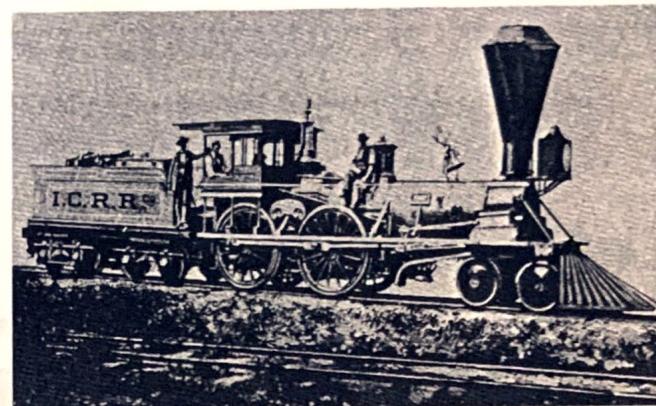
It was Sept. 11, 1854, that the Illinois Central road completed the trackage between the settlements of Decatur and Clinton. And it was at that time, when the need arose for an operational station between these two frontier points, that Maroa was started. Its first evidence in history was a station house. Its first inhabitant was the railroad agent.

Here, indeed, was the railroad that all Illinois had so long awaited. Stretching its crude rails for over 700 miles (between Cairo and Galena, and Centralia and Chicago), it not only earned the proud reputation as the longest railroad in the world but it gave to the state an opportunity to breathe life into the vast agriculture and commerce potential.

Railroad Names Maroa

To Maroa, the Illinois Central meant the founding of the very town itself. Giving Maroa a name, a station, a place on the map, it went on to transport its first citizens. It brought farming people out of the East, even from the Old World, to plow down the prairie grass and cultivate tall corn. And it gave Maroa a chance to be associated with the historic figures and events of the time—Lincoln, Douglas, General McClellan; and the Civil War and the Great Chicago Fire.

The name "Maroa" itself was probably supplied by railroad of-



ficials. The record is not clear on the naming of Maroa, yet it was the practice of the road to assign a name to the station when it was built. Many stations along the line were named in honor of prominent railroad people or personages of the day.

Concerning the origin of the name, Maroa, two theories have been carried down through local generations. Perhaps the best known story is the one reporting Maroa to have been so named from an alphabetic drawing from a hat. The tale goes that letters from the alphabet were dumped into a hat, five letters drawn, and the name Maroa formed.

This theory does not explain the duplication of the letter "a." And in other respects, this means of gaining a name seems too improbable to be believed.

Maroa Indian Tribe

The second story, heard less often, was that Maroa was an Indian name. The "why" or what Indian tribe was never made clear.

Recent months have turned up new facts that would substantiate the Indian origin of the name—(In research by John W. Hobbs, former Maroan who is now a Springfield manufacturer.

A map has been discovered which was drawn in 1673 by the early French explorer, Jacques Marquette. On this map appears the name, M-A-R-O-A, apparently to identify the general location of an Indian tribe. Marquette's chart is of the eastern Mississippi region and it carries northward to Lake Michigan and Lake Superior. While it contains many inaccuracies, it does represent an accomplishment for the period.

The "Maroa" identification is about on a line with the present location of the town but nearer to the Illinois-Indiana line.

Whether the Maroa mark was correctly placed by Marquette is doubtful. Perhaps the area should have been spotted more closely to this, a central location. Or again, there is the possibility that Marquette was completely accurate in this detail but that the tribe itself moved into this more immediate area during the 1700s.

Black Hawk War

It must be remembered that those of the early Illinois Central days were 100 years closer to Indian history than we of today. It's quite within reason, considering Marquette's map, that railroad officials had good historical reason for giving the Indian name of Maroa to this locality.

But whether there is truth or fiction to the derivation of Maroa from an Indian tribe name, there is no question about the Illinois Central stemming from the Indians. That is, from trouble with the Red Men.

It was 1832. The Black Hawk Indians were warring against the White Man, harrassing his western push across the Mississippi. Illinois men were called from their frontier homes to the fight.

Conduct of the Black Hawk war was seriously impaired because of an inability to assemble and then move troops rapidly. Illinois realized then as never before that it needed railroads. The state in the 1830s had only 160,000 people, and most of these were clustered along river points. There were but three principal settlements, Galena, Chicago and Peoria.

Central Railroad Project

The remainder of Illinois was practically an untamed wilderness. Fanning from its rivers were some of the most fertile acres in the world, yet the area was almost useless because of its

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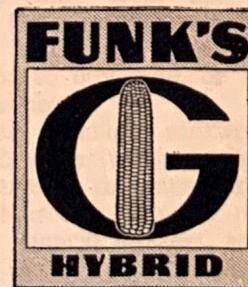
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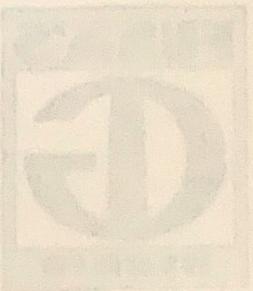
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lack of transportation and accessibility to markets.

With the Black Hawks subdued, the first order of business with the legislature and state civic leaders was establishment of a vital north-south railroad. It was agreed that the road should cut through the state's approximate center. For this reason, it was known as the "central railroad" project.

Many groups, backed by the legislature, made several attempts to organize such a line. But all these early tries were stalled before they could hardly get well started. The state itself was burdened with debt and could offer little financial assistance. Eastern banking circles doubted the future of Illinois. England was coldly indifferent. Several early settlers of the state lost their personal fortunes in a futile attempt to build the road.

Finally, it was Stephen A. Douglas, the historic adversary of Lincoln, who indirectly accomplished what others had failed to do. His method of financing a railroad was the unheard-of "land grant" proposition, presented to Congress when he was a senator. This scheme provided that the federal government give to Illinois a right-of-way and alternate sections of land, in checkerboard fashion, along the route for a distance of six miles on either side. The alternate sections could be sold by the railroad company for the purpose of gaining funds for railroad construction.

People Rush to Illinois

Construction of the Illinois Central resulted in a land boom in Illinois that approached, in enthusiasm and reckless migration, the historic rush for gold in the West. Men and families came from Ohio, the New England states, even England and Germany. The railroad put on a tremendous advertising campaign, and established land offices in principal cities.

The land around Maroa and other points along the road was advertised at \$8 to \$12 an acre. Within two years the railroad had sold all its allotted land. Some of the older families of Maroa hold today those very farms that were purchased by their forebears from the Illinois Central.

Towns, like Maroa, were quick



to develop. Activity sprang from the stations, streets were laid out, schools and churches planned and stores opened. One person reporting the transformation of this raw country said, "The growth of the country is incredible."

Before the railroad was built, corn sold for 5 to 8 cents. Now, with the Illinois Central running and connecting Maroa and other farm communities with markets, corn jumped to 25 to 40 cents.

Amusing Incidents

Work of building the railroad started in August, 1852. Track was laid in segments at the same time up and down the length of its course. As many as 10,000 persons labored at one time and a total of 100,000 workers were employed before it was completely finished, some five years later.

Wages were \$1.25 a day and \$2 to \$3 for men with teams. Workers came from the East, Ireland, Germany, Denmark and Poland. Many of these people stayed on to buy land, or to set up in business.

Several amusing stories are told of these early Illinois Central days. Perhaps the most important to Maroans, from a standpoint of general interest, was an attempt to have the railroad follow a line about 12 miles east of Clinton.

A group of railroad officials, so the story goes, started out with team one day to canvass the proposed alternate route. As the men progressed eastward from Clinton, it seemed they were either pulling laboriously up a steep hill or wallowing in the depth of a ravine.

At length, the overworked nags apparently decided they had had "enough." They suddenly burst into the freedom of a runaway. The distinguished body of officials was left afoot, to trudge wearily back to Clinton.

This incident is said to have settled the issue—the road would run through Clinton, Maroa and Decatur as planned.

Fight with Blizzards

Not long after the road was operating, in 1857, there came a depression. Hundreds of settlers, panicked, insisted that the government and the railroad buy back the land because "we can never get it paid for." Much of the land owned by the government was sold for as little as \$2.50 an acre.

There was argument, it is said, about width of the right-of-way. Eventually, 200 feet was the distance set. The reason: So trees would not fall across the track.

The first four engines of the Illinois Central were second-hand. They weighed scarcely more than a farm pick-up truck. And in their travel, speed was not what it is today, obviously. A "trip" from Wapella to Bloomington in 1855 took 55 minutes, according to an early time-table.

Cold weather, with its accompanying snows disrupted traffic, laying open passenger to the miseries of the elements. In the Illinois Central files is the following graphic story concerning a fight against a blizzard in 1856:

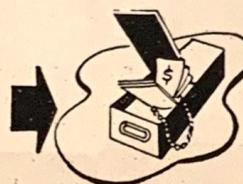
"December 1st—Clarke is at Polo, snowbound. Engines, 23, 26, and 36 are dead and road is badly blocked as ever. Captain Wells left (Amboy) yesterday morning for Dixon; got into a snowdrift seven miles north of there. When we got two-thirds shoveled out we found we would be out of wood and water in a short time. I returned to Amboy to get the second engine when the men ceased operations and came home. Engine 20 and four cars ran off track in deep cut this side of Mendota, broke through ice, one side settled down to the axles. Other engine, attempting to come back last night, got snowbound and laid down."

Lincoln In Maroa

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to connect itself with this great president. By reason of Lincoln's long and varied work for the Illinois Central, there is every reason to believe that Lincoln once walked down the streets of Maroa. It is a certainty that he rode the line through here many times.

Lincoln was one of the principal lawyers for the road, settling right-of-way matters, trespass, livestock accidents, etc. That he had legal business involving property in this general vicinity is evident from the record that he appeared in seven cases for the Illinois Central in Clinton on May 16, 1854.

Mr. Lincoln, incidentally, collected the largest fee from the Illinois Central that any lawyer had been known to receive for services in one case (McLean County Tax Case). The amount was \$5,000. This was at a time when the governor of Illinois received only \$1,500 a year. The huge fee is said to have financed Lincoln's debates with Douglas and to have given him funds for other political activity leading to the presidency.

Another prominent figure of the century known to have visited Maroa was George B. McClellan, who was to become the famous Civil War general. From 1857 to 1860, McClellan was vice president and chief engineer of the Illinois Central.

Maroa Helps Chicago

Ulysses S. Grant is known to have traveled thru Maroa on the I. C. in the early days of the Civil War when he was but just another soldier in a troop movement. Troops and prisoners strung through Maroa all during this period, as the Illinois Central became a main thoroughfare in the transport of War's men and materials.

Still another historic episode in Maroa's association with the Illinois Central was its relief contribution to victims of the Great Chicago Fire, in 1871. Maroans joined with other friendly folk up and down the line to send "mercy" packages into the fire ravished city. Food and clothing was taken to the freight house, from where it was loaded onto I. C. trains and delivered free to needy Chicagoans.

The "Main Line of Mid-America," as the vast Illinois Central

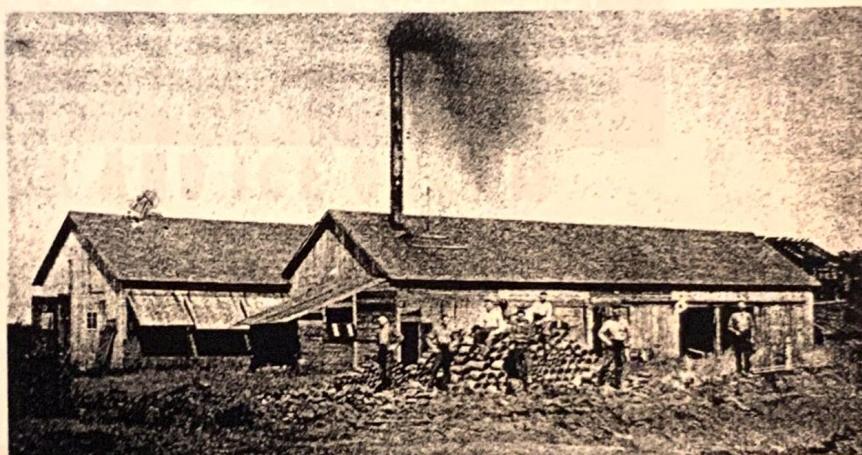


MEN WHO HAVE BEEN IN BUSINESS IN MAROA MORE THAN 30 YEARS.

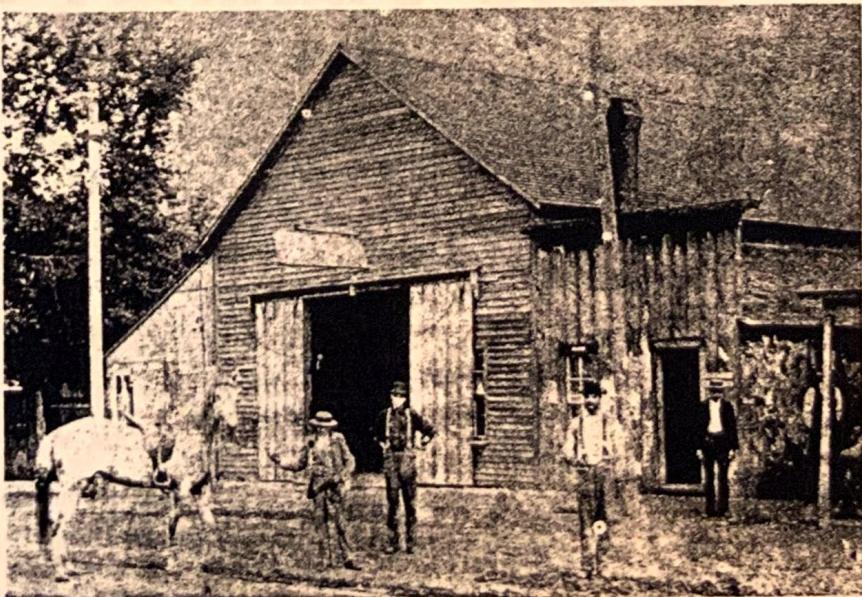
R. O. Crouch, DDS., 1902.
Lee Kempshall, 1903, Schenck Cigar Factory.
Charles F. Hippard, 1914, Dry Goods.
David Dewhirst, 1917, Lumber.
S. E. Burke, 1922, Chevrolet Dealer.



Felix Clark, hauling dirt for the tile factory.



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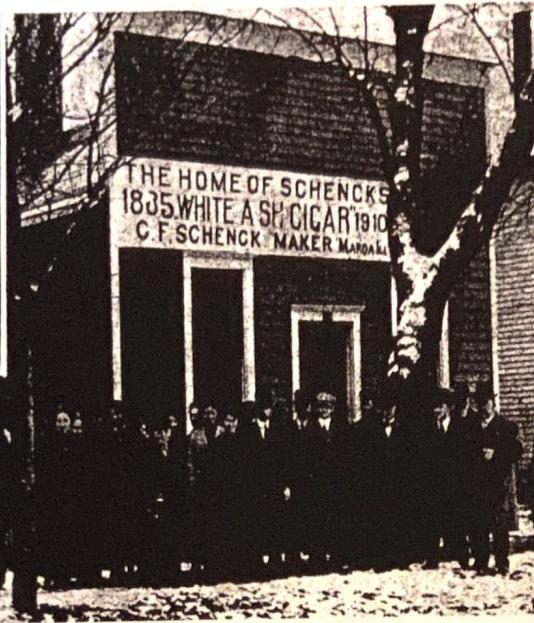
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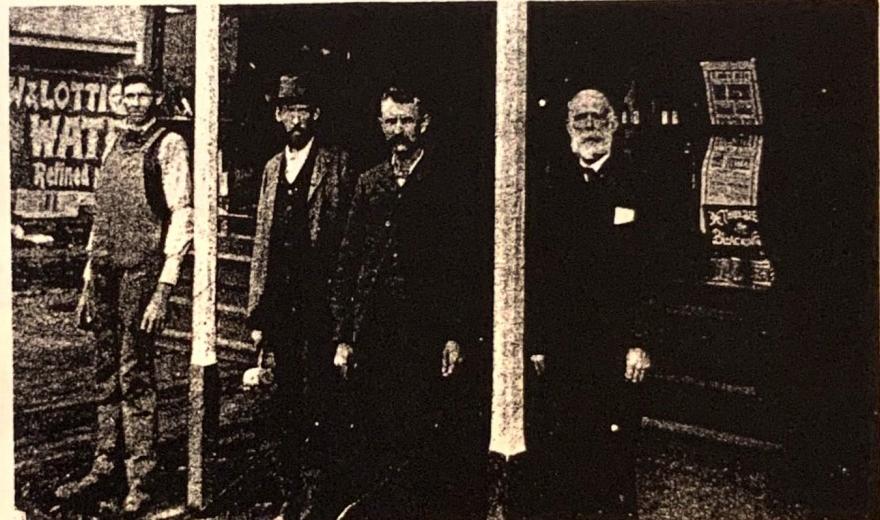
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C. F. Schenck and Employees of Cigar Company, an early Maroa Industry



William Potter was born in Ohio in 1839. He came to Macon Co. in 1850 and settled near the present site of Maroa. He married Lydia Baird and they had one daughter, Naomi (Stivers). Mr. Potter was a carpenter by trade. He died in 1914.



J. M. Persinger's Hardware Store (Mr. Persinger at right, Howard Glassford at left)



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From 1887 until 1891 it was known as the Schenck and McClung factory. In 1891 the factory burned and Mr. Schenck started up again at the present location on North Walnut Street. The business was incorporated in 1910 and Carl D. Schenck and W. Lee Kempshall were taken in as partners. For many years Schenck Cigars were one of the leading brands in Central Illinois and the factory employed thirty-five people. C. F. Schenck died in 1933 and Carl D. Schenck and Lee Kempshall continued in the business. In 1952, Mr. Schenck sold his interest to L. J. Kloppenburg of Springfield, Ill., now a co-owner with Lee Kempshall.



Henry Funk was born in Morgan Co., Illinois, in 1854. When three months old, his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Milton Funk moved to Maroa and he lived here for fifty years. Then he moved to Decatur where he died in 1907. His wife was Armenia Bolen. Their children were Capitola, Lydia, Rex, Beryl (Frantz) and Cordell.



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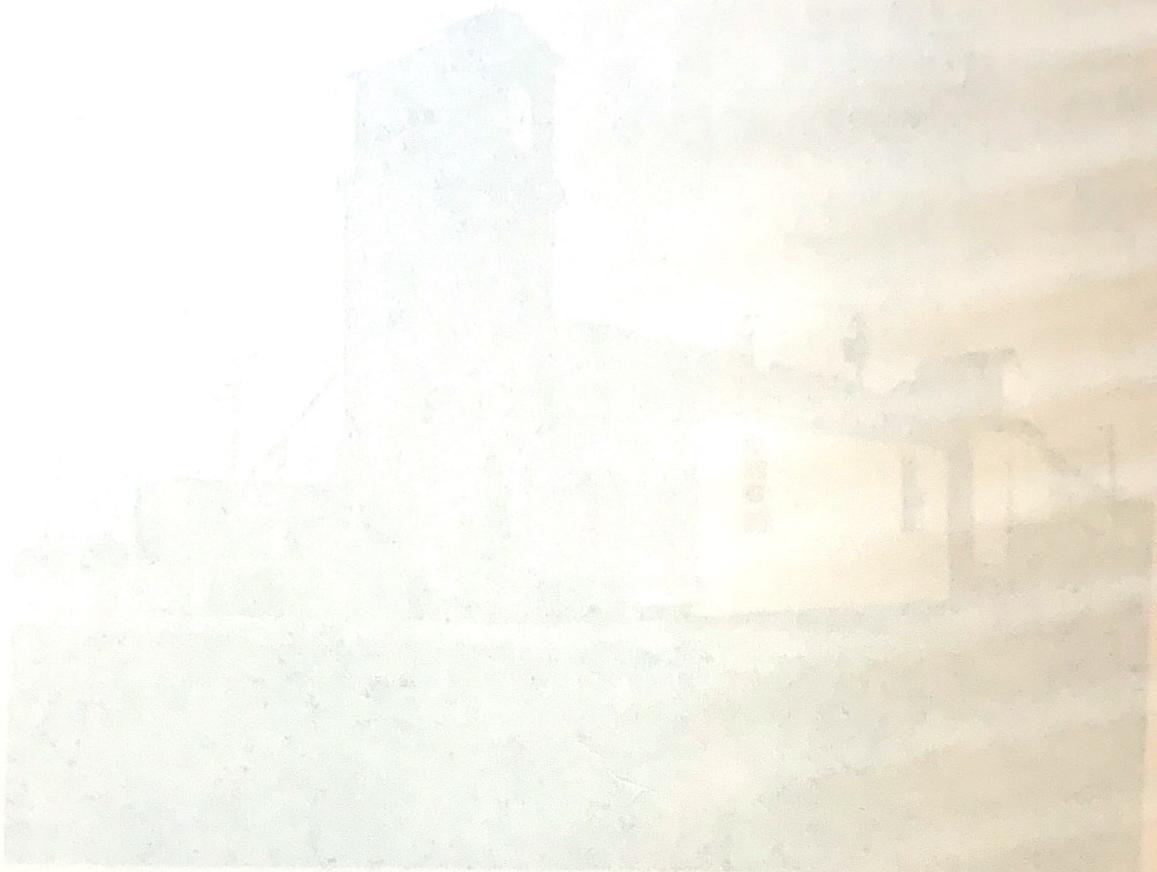
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There is perhaps no greater nostalgia linked to a former institution for many Maroans than to the "ol' Traction." For the interurbans of the Illinois Traction Railroad gave the community a direct passage to nearby larger cities and opened the way to a more complete pattern of living.

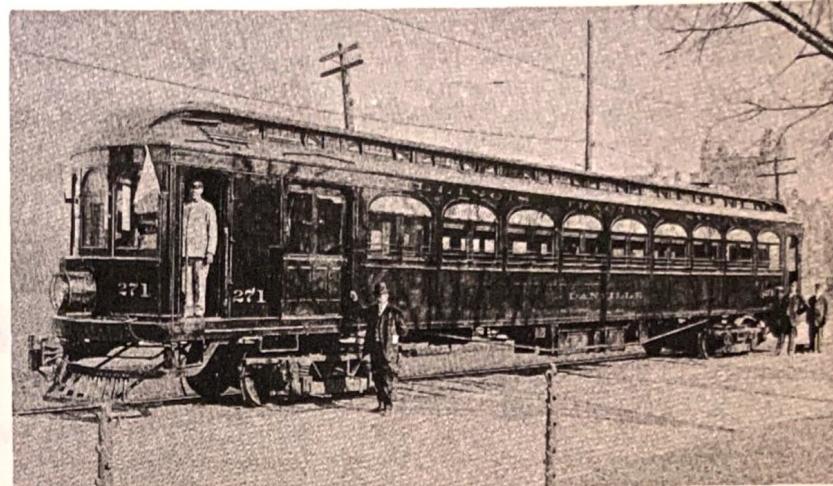
Of course, the steam railroad—the Illinois Central—had been an asset to Maroa since the founding of the community. Yet it remained for the Traction to bring the well stocked stores, the drama of the theatre and the pleasant parks, to be found in Decatur and Bloomington, within the everyday scope of the Maroan.

Indeed, it was a day long to be cherished when the first Traction waddled up to the Maroa depot from Decatur in 1905. Buntings were unrolled, the band played and men cheered as the first car, looking much like an overgrown street car, rumbled to a stop.

Railroads had poor schedules for close, inter-community travel. And there was a certain formality about railroad travel that discouraged the short or impromptu ride to a nearby shopping center. The interurban provided frequent service, a convenient depot and a cheap fare. The cost for a ride on the Traction of 1907 was a mere two cents a mile or one and one-half cents for a round trip ticket.

Maroa felt quite like it had made a conquest with the advent of the interurban. This feeling of pride was especially strong after civic leaders persuaded Terminal officials to curve its track down through the main north-south street, the Bloomington Road. Oldtimers recall that the line was originally planned to parallel the Illinois Central tracks. But Maroa was boastful of its interurban line and wanted all who passed through the city to see and to be impressed by it.

This civic pride of the city's "fathers" of that period is understandable when one considers the historic significance of the electric interurban. Enthusiasm for this type of travel swept the midwest, particularly Illinois, Ohio, Indiana and Michigan, in the horse and buggy days at the turn of the century. Lines sprouted in



almost every part of these states. It was the belief of local officials everywhere that a town simply had to have electric service if it were to continue to progress. Each town was determined to have interurban facilities, and it made every effort to win a line away from its neighbor.

By 1906, the line had pushed up to Bloomington and on to Mackinaw Junction. Now Maroa had a direct connection with Peoria. With construction of McKinley bridge across the Mississippi, St. Louis was also brought within easy reach. Prior to the bridge, there was uncertainty at this southern terminal because the car had to be ferried across the river.

The beginning of the Illinois Terminal was made in 1903 with a line between Danville and Champaign. William B. McKinley was the organizer of the road. His inspiration for the service stemmed from a humble little electric line he operated to connect Champaign and Urbana.

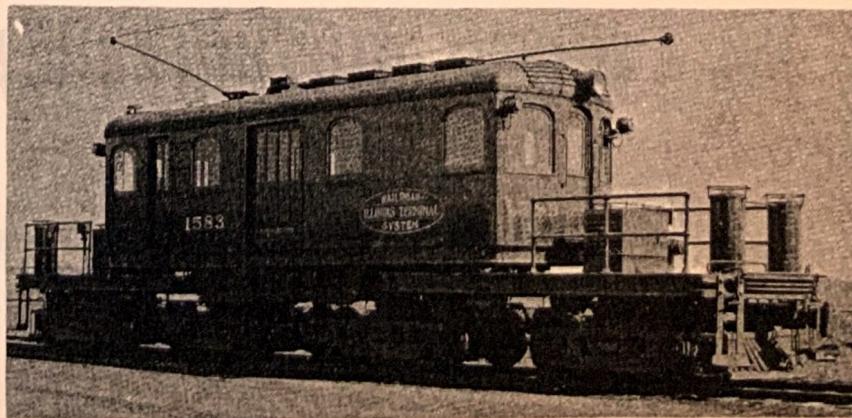
As the years rolled on, farmers of the Maroa community learned to use the frequent Traction whistles as their time piece.

And for the city resident, each passing car meant "mail call" and a trip to the post office.

The interurban served Maroa as a priceless institution until the day of modern automobiles and highways. Once the family car became really practical, however, the electric car lost its magic. Students of business point out that there has never been anything on the American scene to compare with the sudden decline of the electric interurban.

In the years just prior to World War II, for instance, the interurban jolted through Maroa many times with the motorman and conductor its only passengers. The coming of war, though, brought an abrupt change in Traction traffic. People who had not ridden a car for years found it a comfort to their travel desires when gasoline allotments ran low. With hostilities continuing, the Traction almost became crowded. For the younger generations, it demonstrated the worth the line had once held for the community.

Lighter memories of the Traction embrace many mischievous acts. There are those, once young



and the last time we saw each other
was when I was 16, and now
I am 21. I am still in school at a
private boarding school called
the Newington Academy & we
are celebrating my birthday by
going to a local pub called
The White Horse which has
been serving beer since 1900.
The pub is very nice and has
a great atmosphere. We are
drinking beer and talking about
our future plans. I am going
to study law at university
and my friend is going
to study medicine. We are
both excited about our
new lives ahead.

Afterwards we go to my mom's
house to talk to her about my
future. She is very supportive
of my choices and says that
I have made the right
decisions. She is also
very proud of me and says
that I am a good person.

Finally, we go to bed and I
fall asleep. I dream about
my future and how happy I
will be when I graduate from
university and start my
own life. I wake up the next
morning feeling excited and
ready for whatever the day
brings.

As I walk out of the house,
I notice that the sun is
shining brightly. I smile
and feel grateful for all
the opportunities that I
have been given. I know
that I will be successful
in whatever I choose to do.

And so, that is my story.
I hope you enjoyed it.
Please let me know if you
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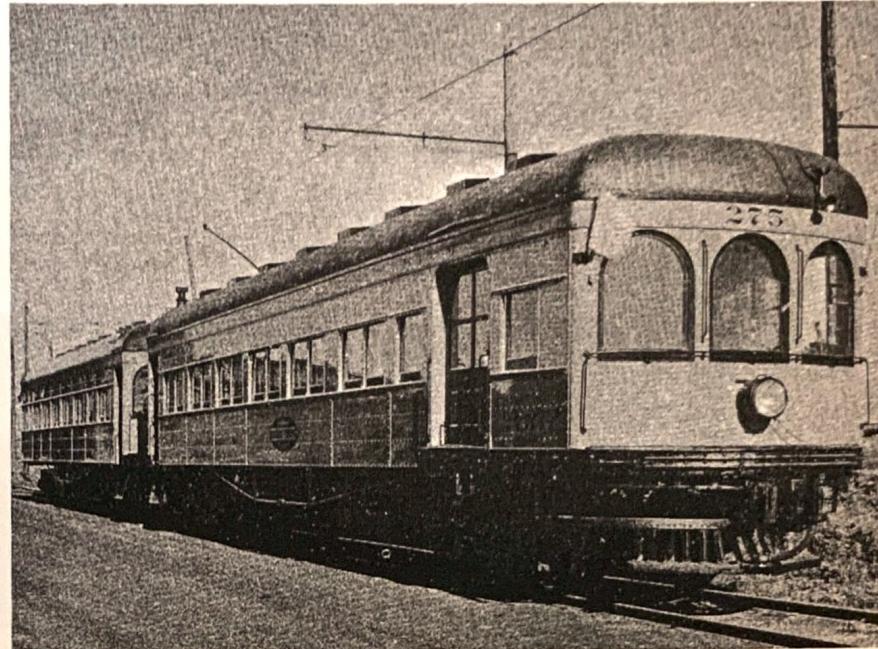
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who will always recall hitchhiking a ride to Clinton and back via ITS freight on a dull summer evening. Or frustrating the interurban (and conductor) when half-way through town by grabbing a pole brace and bouncing the power line off the trolley. Or "stealing" milk cans away from the depot just before train time, to the irritation of a usually good natured station agent.

Then there are recollections of important athletic events, for which the "whole town" chartered a Traction "double-header" for the occasion, even taking along the band. Or of the exciting "excursions" to St. Louis, when usually some one drank too much "home-brew."

And what Maroan can forget that it was the Traction that put the community into Ripley's nationally circulated "Believe It or Not" newspaper feature. Mr. Ripley contended that only in Maroan, out of the entire world, did a motorist drive across three tracks traveling north but none



going south.

On a wintry Saturday, February 21, 1953, the Traction made its last run through Maroa, with closing of the Decatur-Mackinaw branch. Two local men, Lee Kempshall and Dick Adams, had the distinction of riding the last

car to the end-of-the-trail, just as they had been among the passengers who celebrated the inaugural run. Ironically, several children who had been reared next to the noise of the line took their first Traction ride on that memorable last day.

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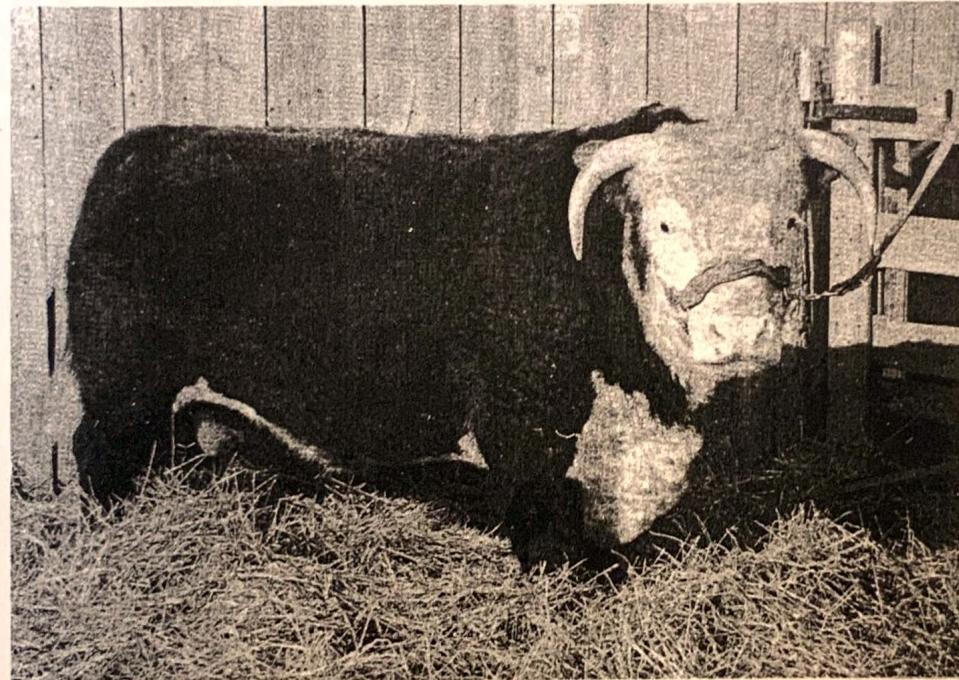
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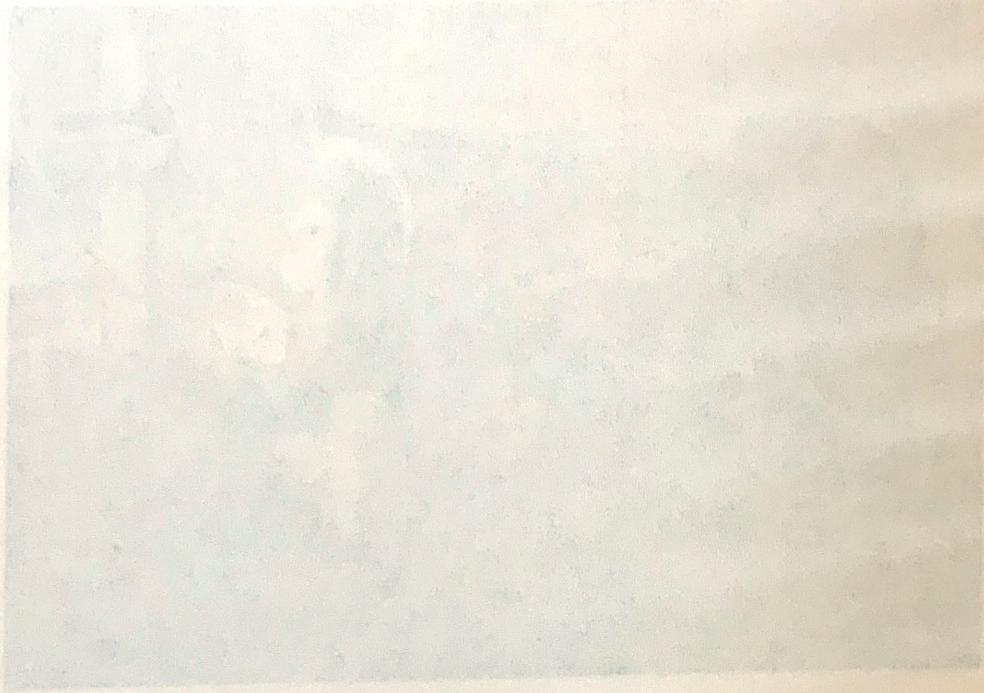
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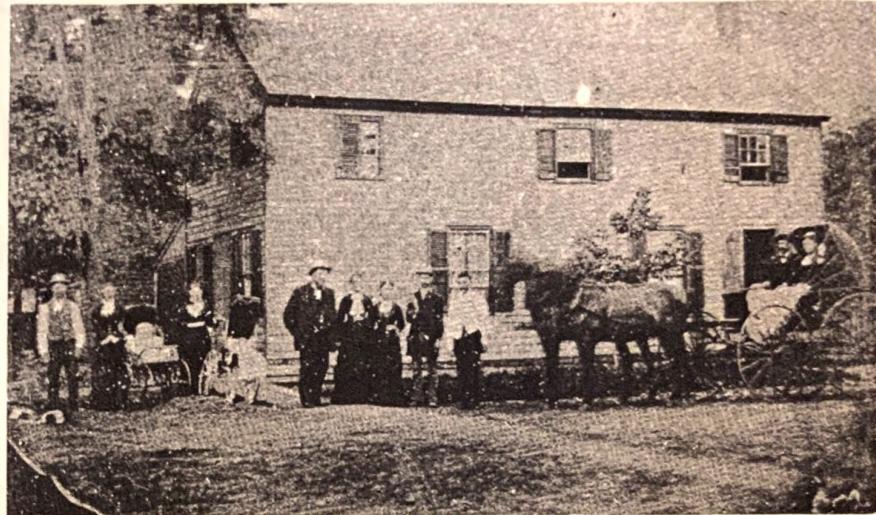
Garrett J. Schenck was born in Troy, New Jersey, April 12, 1823, one of fourteen children. The parents, natives of Amsterdam, Holland, died while the children were young and left a four hundred acre farm, which was used to care for the family and each one was to be taught a trade before going out on his own. Garrett was taught tool making and his brother learned to be a blacksmith. Garrett also learned music with his sisters, who were taught both music and sewing.



Mr. and Mrs. Garrett J. Schenck



Mrs. Garrett J. Schenck and son, William



Schenck House

Mr. Schenck went to Franklin, Ohio, to follow his trade. There he met Alice Sill, who was born June 13, 1823, and they were married in 1844. Three sons, John, Charles and Frank were born to them in Ohio.

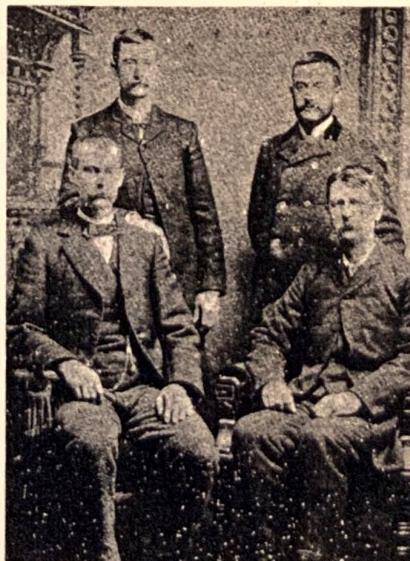
In 1853 Mr. Schenck and several other men came to Illinois to look over the prairie land. Mr. Schenck returned to Ohio and the next year brought his family back in a covered wagon and settled here. In 1855 he built the first residence in Maroa, using one room as a store. Many friends came out from Ohio and while they were getting started in business or buying a farm, they stayed at the "Schenck House" and were often entertained during the evenings by Mr. and Mrs. Schenck playing their clarinets.

William Greer built the Prairie Hotel in 1858 but the "Schenck House" was always a popular place for travelers to stop.

In 1860 twin sons, William and Willard, were born to Mr. and Mrs. Schenck. William survived. The next year they adopted a daughter, Ida, from New York.

During the Civil War, Mr. Schenck opened a shop on the back of his lot and made guns for the government. He also made razors and knives.

Mrs. Schenck died in 1900 at the age of 77 and Mr. Schenck died in 1903 at the age of 80. The "Schenck House" corner was sold by the heirs in 1908. The building was divided and moved to different parts of Maroa and is still occupied. The Presbyterian Church now stands on the site of the first residence.



Four brothers: Standing, Charles and William. Seated: Frank and John.



William Jasper Jones, born in 1827, married Catherine Hermetet, who was born in 1838. They lived on a farm in Brown Co., Ill. for several years before moving to Maroa Twp. in 1872. They bought a farm two miles east and two miles south of Maroa and spent the rest of their lives there. Of their eight children, two survive. They are Lucy, a former music teacher, and William, a painter. Mr. Jones died in 1900 and his wife in 1918.

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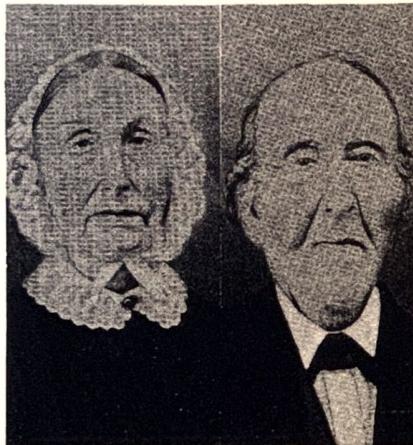
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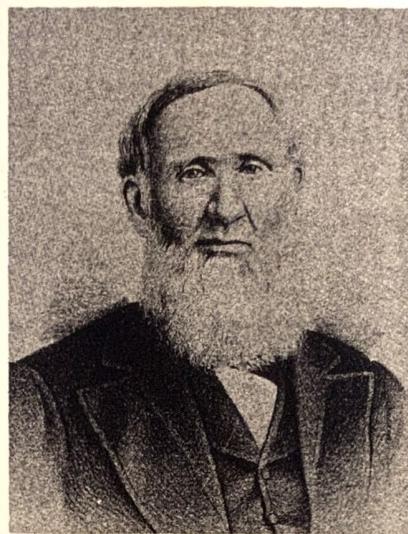
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CAPTAIN JOHN STOUTENBOROUGH, the eldest son of Anthony and Mary (Seguin) Stoutenborough was baptized September 1, 1754 and died May 6, 1839. He married Catherine Holmes, born October 19, 1765, died May 1, 1838, daughter of Daniel and Leah (Bowne) Holmes. They resided at Shrewsbury, Monmouth County, New Jersey and are buried in the Baptist Church yard at Holmdel, New Jersey. They had 9 children.



JOHN STOUTENBOROUGH, the second son of Captain John and Catherine (Holmes) Stoutenborough was born in Monmouth County, New Jersey, December 8, 1791 and died December 25, 1867. He helped the Schenck family load the covered wagons in preparation to move from New Jersey to Ohio. After they were loaded, he decided to go with them. They arrived in Franklin, Ohio June 22, 1815. He was married November 15, 1819 to Jane Schenck, born November 7, 1796 in Somerset County, New Jersey. She was the daughter of Garret G. Schenck and Jane (Van Kirk) Schenck. When she was 10 years old, the family moved to Monmouth County, New Jersey. She died March 28, 1888 and both she and her husband are buried in Franklin, Ohio. They had 9 children, all born in Butler County, Ohio, seven sons and two daughters. Three sons: Henry, Daniel and James Schenck and one daughter Mary Jane (William B. Vail) remained in Ohio and four sons, Garret, John, Anthony and William H. and one daughter, Catherine (Nelson Long) went to Maroa, Macon County and DeWitt County, Illinois.



GARRET STOUTENBOROUGH son of John and Jane (Schenck) Stoutenborough was born in Butler County, Ohio, September 16, 1824 and died July 9, 1910 in Maroa, Illinois. He was married to Margaret T. Hankinson in Ohio on February 12, 1845. She was born in Warren County, Ohio, February 10, 1825 and died in Maroa, Illinois July 22, 1905. They were the parents of six children, Sarah Jane (Fruit), Mary Eleanor, James Hankinson, John L., William Baird and Frank. All are deceased and buried in Maroa Cemetery.

Garret and Margaret Stoutenborough with Mrs. Stoutenborough's sister and husband (James Shepherd Parker) came to Illinois from Ohio in 1854, driving through in a covered wagon. It took three weeks to make the trip. They settled on a farm the men had purchased earlier near Kenney, Illinois in Tunbridge Township. The farm is now owned by Garrett Fruit, grand-

son of Mr. Garret Stoutenborough.

Garret Stoutenborough was a lover and breeder of fine horses, although his main occupation was farming and at his death he was the owner of numerous farms around Maroa and Kenney. He and his wife retired and moved to Maroa. Their home was later purchased by the late Dr. Wood.

MARY ELEANOR STOUTENBOROUGH, daughter of Garret and Margaret (Hankinson) Stoutenborough was born October 9, 1850. She married William Edward Schoby on December 3, 1885. To this union three children were born, Margaret, Charles W. and Aldora May.

Margaret Schoby, daughter of William Edward Schoby and Mary Eleanor (Stoutenborough) Schoby was born near Kenney, Illinois on January 15, 1887. She married Harry H. Hall on January 1, 1910. To this union three children were born, Lulu Eleanor, Harry Edward, who died in infancy and Beulah Mary, who died in infancy.

Lulu Eleanor Hall, daughter of Harry H. Hall and Margaret (Schoby) Hall was born near Kenney on June 10, 1911. She married Henry A. Lippert on December 27, 1937. To this union five children have been born, Henry Edward, on November 5, 1938; Harry Andrew, May 11, 1940; Lulu Margaret, July 9, 1942; Otto Veith, January 3, 1944 and died December 3, 1948; and Mary Emma, May 14, 1950. They reside near Clinton, Illinois.

Aldora May Schoby, daughter of William Edward Schoby and Mary Eleanor (Stoutenborough) Schoby was born near Kenney, Illinois April 26, 1891. She married Otis B. Preston January 4, 1917. To this union one son, Howard Dale was born.

Howard Dale Preston, son of Otis B. Preston and Aldora May (Schoby) Preston was born August 17, 1920 near Kenney, Illinois. He married Helen Gaffron on August 29, 1940. To this union three children have been born, Mary Elizabeth on April 23, 1944; Larry Dale on April 26, 1947 and Martha Joan on October 3, 1953.

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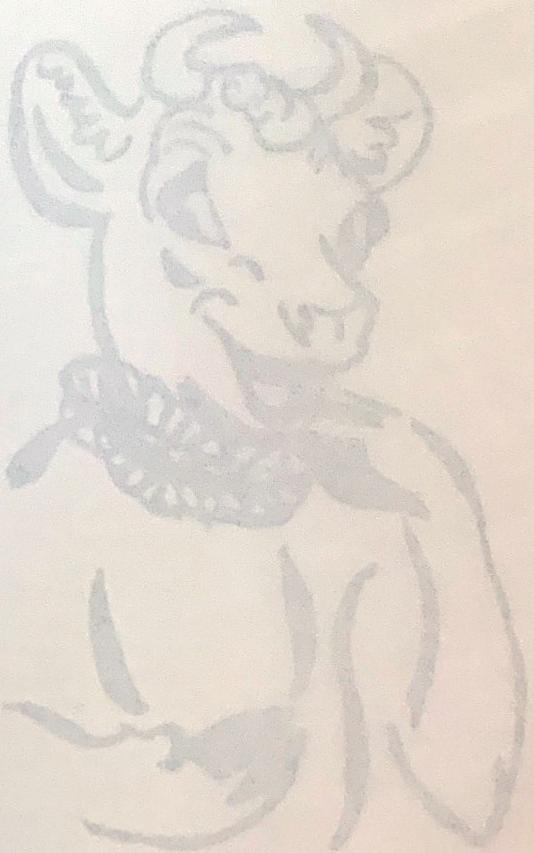
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JAMES HANKINSON STOUTENBOROUGH, son of Garret and Margaret (Hankinson) Stoutenborough was born January 16, 1854 and died January 23, 1932. On February 17, 1880 he married Ella Baird. To this union four children were born, but only one, Frank B., is now living.

Frank B. Stoutenborough, son of James H. and Ella (Baird) Stoutenborough was born July 13, 1885. On February 12, 1908 he married Ethel Grady. To this union two daughters, Mildred and Evelyn were born.

Mildred Stoutenborough, daughter of Frank B. and Ethel (Grady) Stoutenborough, was born August 7, 1909. On December 10, 1927, she married Walter W. Gardner. To this union were born four children: BETTY CHARLENE, born January 9, 1929 and married to Wm. Mahoney. To this union one son, John S. Mahoney was born August 4, 1952. She later married Thomas Bickel. He is a Civil Engineer for the Illinois Central Railroad and they live in Clinton, Illinois; GERALD THOMAS was born April 25, 1932. On April 1, 1951, he married Sharon Wozeski. To this union one daughter, Stephenia Jo was born March 30, 1952 and one son, Stephen Thomas was born December 29, 1953. They live in Clinton and he is a telegraph operator for the Illinois Central Railroad; EDWARD FRANK was born October 18, 1936. He graduated from Clinton High School in the class of 1954 and has joined the Naval Reserve; and JEAN ANN, born October 26, 1952.

Evelyn Stoutenborough, daughter of Frank B. and Ethel (Grady) Stoutenborough, was born March 25, 1915. On December 30, 1933, she married Verniel C. Westerman. To this union one son, DONALD FRANK was born September 23, 1937, who will be a senior at Maroa High School in September, 1954; and daughter, BETTY JOAN, born November 6, 1941, attends the Maroa Grade School. They reside on a farm West of Maroa.

JOHN L. STOUTENBOROUGH, the second son and fourth child of Garret and Margaret (Hankinson) Stoutenborough, was



born in DeWitt County, Illinois, Sept. 14, 1856. He was married to Luella Miller of Hallsville on December 1, 1881. To this union six children were born: Ralph, born Feb. 7, 1883 and died at the age of ten; twins William Aaron and Garrett Earl, Fannie, Helen Margaret and Robert.

John L. Stoutenborough, like his father, farmed and he too bred fine horses and at one time had a race track on his farm 2 miles southwest from Maroa. He invented "The King Tilting Gate," which was used by many farmers in the horse and buggy days. He was interested in the welfare and education of his children and his neighbors' children and was the promoter in organizing the Parker School District and building the school. He served as director for many years.

He and Mrs. Stoutenborough were long faithful members of the Maroa Christian Church, where he served on the board. In later years he wrote many poems, which his family cherish. He and his wife retired from the farm and moved to Maroa in 1920. After the death of his wife on September 27, 1926, his daughter Helen and family moved to his home to care for him. In 1941, they moved back to the farm home where he died on June 23, 1942.

Dr. William Aaron Stoutenborough was born August 21, 1885 near Maroa. He was an eye specialist with offices at 21 East State St., Columbus, Ohio. He died January 19, 1953 in Columbus and was buried in Maroa. He was married to Mabel Boulton of Mechanicsburg, Ohio in 1919. They have one daughter, Charlene, born in N. Lewisburg, Ohio, July 27, 1915. She married Robert Hoelcher. They have one son, Robert Aaron Hoelcher, born in Columbus, Ohio June 6, 1945. They now live in Ardmore, Penn.

Garrett Earl Stoutenborough was born August 21, 1885 near Maroa. He was a former accountant and farmer. He married Pearl Grady in 1918. They have one

son, Robert Earl, born near Maroa, Illinois September 20, 1916. He married Betty Williams of Decatur, September 8, 1940. They have one son, Douglas Heywood, born in Decatur, Illinois, December 18, 1944. They reside on farm belonging to G. Earl Stoutenborough, north of Maroa, Illinois.

Fannie Stoutenborough was born near Maroa January 11, 1890. She married Raymond Shaw in 1910. Mr. Shaw died in November 1951. They have one daughter, Eleanor, born near Maroa August 16, 1913. She lives in Decatur, Illinois.

Helen Stoutenborough was born near Maroa August 31, 1895. She was married to John Hoffman, Jr. in 1918. They live on and own the farm formerly owned and occupied by Mrs. Hoffman's parents. The family were all reared on this farm and it has been in the family since 1884. They have one son, John L. born near Maroa, Illinois February 4, 1922. On June 5, 1943 he married Irene Olsen of Decatur, Illinois. They have four children: John L., Jr., born July 3, 1945; Thomas Rodgers, born May 31, 1947; Carol Lynn, born July 1, 1948, who were born in Decatur and Macon County Hospital; and Jeffrey Scott, born Feb. 16, 1953 in Rock Island, Illinois. The family resides in Rock Island and he is a salesman for Illinois Contractors' Machinery, Inc. John L. served as 1st Lt. in Air Corp in World War II overseas.

Robert Stoutenborough was born near Maroa October 12, 1900. He was married to Mary F. Conover June 28, 1922. He is in the Insurance and Real Estate business in Maroa. They have one son, William Robert, born August 1, 1924. He married Dorothy Arnett of Towanda, Illinois April 9, 1949. They have three daughters, Renee born September 28, 1950; Roxanne, born September 9, 1951; and Mary Kathryn, born February 9, 1953. They reside in Maroa and he is in business with his father. He served as 1st Sergeant overseas in World War II.

WILLIAM BAIRD STOUTENBOROUGH, son of Garret and Margaret (Hankinson) Stoutenborough was born April 13, 1858. He died on July 4, 1924. On January 11, 1882 he married Harriet Miller, born April 2, 1862, and

one son, William Wheeler, who was born April 19, 1887, died May 19, 1941, here. DALE, Oregon. JAMES ARTHUR WHEELER was born February 23, 1920, and was married on August 20, 1947, to Norma, who was born November 10, 1920.

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RALIE WOODROW was born May 29, 1913 and lives in Delaney House. RAYWINE ADDISON, born on January 6, 1938. On July 5, 1947 he was married to Helen Clarke who was born on November 21, 1936. They live in Delaney House. RALIE WOODROW was born May 26, 1914 and died January 11, 1948. He was married to Helen Clarke who was born on November 21, 1936. They live in Delaney House.

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JOHN BUTLER STOUTENBROOK, son of John and Elizabeth (Stoutenbrough) was born in Beloit, Wisconsin, on April 23, 1870, and died on April 20, 1946. He married Elizabeth Miller in 1896. They came to Illinois in 1900. To this union seven children were born: Edward, who died in infancy; Anna, who died in infancy; Mary Jane, aka Betty Sue, who died when 20 years old; Catherine, Elizabeth and Charles H.

MARY JANE STOUTENBROOK, aka H. (known as Jessie), daughter of John and Elizabeth (Stoutenbrough) was born Butler County, Ohio on April 13, 1898. When she was 16 years old, she ran away from home to Illinois. She was married to Peter Keene on December 21, 1917. She died August 17, 1946.

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died on September 24, 1952. To this union four children were born, Maude, Raymond, Elva, and Mary Margaret.

Maude May Stoutenborough, first child of William B. and Harriet Stoutenborough was born August 20, 1883. She was married to A. Henry Allen in 1901. He died in August, 1953. She lives in Fresno, California. Four children were born to this union. PAUL was born September 16, 1903. He and his wife, Ann, have two sons, Paul Henry and Robert Stoutenborough. They live in Bakersfield, Calif. NEDRA MARGARET was born December 25, 1907. CYNTHIA MAUDE was born January 15, 1909. She was married to Walter Erwin and they have one daughter, Juanita. They live in Alameda, California. ELVA LA VERNE was born October 3, 1911. She is married to George Terzain and they have one daughter, Michele. They reside in Oakland, California.

Raymond Stoutenborough, the second child born to William B. and Harriet M. Stoutenborough was born October 13, 1886. He was married on August 9, 1910 to Frances May Kennedy, born March 3, 1890. They live in Decatur, Illinois. To this union ten children were born. RAYMOND ROSS, born December 23, 1911. On August 3, 1947 he married Mary Elizabeth Davidson born December 10, 1928. They live in Decatur, Illinois. Three children were born to this union: Linda Lou born April 6, 1948; Carol Ann born August 19, 1949, and Cathy Sue born August 1, 1952. DALE WOODROW was born May 29, 1913 and lives in Decatur, Illinois. EDWIN ALLEN born on January 8, 1915. On July 8, 1944 he was married to Eileen Clarke who was born on November 21, 1916. He is in Germany. RICHARD FRANCIS was born February 24, 1916 and on March 17, 1945 he was married to Catharine Delillis Daily, born May 4, 1922. They are the parents of four children: twins, Joanne and Suzanne born February 21, 1946, Richard William born October 22, 1949 and Nancy Ellen born March 23, 1951. They live in Taylorville, Ill. MARGARET JUNE was born September 4, 1917. On June 30, 1939 she married William Edgar Cline, who was born September 5, 1913. They have

one son, William Edgar, Jr. born April 15, 1940. They live in Pendleton, Oregon. JAMES ARTHUR was born February 23, 1920 and was married on August 20, 1947 to Rowena Miller who was born November 20, 1923. They have one child, a daughter, Bobetta, born June 15, 1950. They live in Decatur, Illinois. WILLIAM BAIRD, born October 5, 1922. He is in Danville, Illinois. BETTY JEANNE, born March 7, 1925 and on December 12, 1948 married James Howard Stephens, born July 6, 1916. Two children were born to this union: James Francis on August 10, 1949 and Judith Rae on November 19, 1950. Their home is in Decatur, Illinois. THOMAS DAVID was born September 3, 1927 and is in Korea. MARY FRANCES was born June 23, 1930 and lives in Decatur, Illinois.

Elva Montgomery Stoutenborough, third child of William B. and Harriet M. Stoutenborough, was born January 11, 1889. She was married in 1904 to Emory Birks. To this union one son, Wayne Birks, was born December 26, 1905. She later married James Norfolk Foster in 1915 and lives in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

Mary Margaret Stoutenborough, fourth child of William Baird and Harriet M. Stoutenborough was born January 17, 1893. She was married to Harmon E. Likens in 1914. He died in 1932. She lives in Decatur, Illinois.



JOHN STOUTENBOROUGH, son of John and Jane (Schenck) Stoutenborough was born in Butler County, Ohio, February 20, 1829, and died in April, 1909. He married Elizabeth Butler in Ohio in 1851. They came to Illinois in 1863. To this union seven children were born: Schenck, who died in infancy; Anna, who died in infancy; Mary Jane, John Butler, Ella, who died when 20 years old; Catherine Elizabeth and Charles H.

MARY JANE STOUTENBOROUGH (known as Jennie), daughter of John and Elizabeth (Butler) Stoutenborough, was born in Butler County, Ohio on September 13, 1853. When she was 10 years old, she came with her parents in a covered wagon to Illinois. She was married to Peter Koons on December 26, 1872. She died August 12, 1946. To this union was born one son, Frank, who married Viola Morey and four daughters: Hattie M., Luella, who was married to William B. Cooper; Grace, who married George Conover, and Laura, who died March 16, 1937, was married to Daniel W. Davis. To this union two daughters were born: Nellie, who was married to Phillip G. Redmon, and to this union one daughter, Mary Jane was born, who died in infancy, and Maude I.

JOHN BUTLER STOUTENBOROUGH, son of John and Elizabeth (Butler) Stoutenbor-



ough was born July 28, 1855 and died on February 3, 1930. In February, 1880, he married Laura Baird, born in 1856 and died October 15, 1926. To this union two

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Norman Baird Stoutenborough, son of John B. and Laura (Baird) Stoutenborough, was born January 27, 1881 and died November 7, 1950. On September 5, 1911, he married Bernice Crocker. To this union two daughters were born: HELEN KATHRYN, on August 18, 1915 and ELIZABETH LOUISE on September 24, 1913. On June 22, 1940, she married William Hobart Crabtree. To this union one son, Thomas Philbrook, was born September 7, 1942, and one daughter, Carol Ann, was born June 5, 1945. They reside on a farm west of Forsyth, Illinois.

Ernest L. Stoutenborough, son of John B. and Laura (Baird) Stoutenborough, was born January 5, 1885. On September 12, 1911, he married Bessie May Conover, who died September 28, 1949. To this union one son and daughter was born. JOHN CONOVER was born October 30, 1913. On December 31, 1942, he married Gretchan Novack. They have one daughter Susanne Gwen, born November 25, 1943. SUZANNE was born May 4, 1917. On April 11, 1941, she married Bernard L. Miller. They have one son, John Stephen, born February 1, 1945. On March 25, 1952 Ernest L. Stoutenborough married Blanche Fry.

CATHERINE ELIZABETH STOUTENBOROUGH (known as Libby) daughter of John and Elizabeth (Butler) Stoutenborough was born November 22, 1865 and died September 12, 1930. On December 27, 1883 she married Will Potter. To this union five children were born: Nellie, who died in infancy; Aleita Leona (Morris), William Lynn, Charles Everett, deceased, and Elizabeth Nadine (McCalum) deceased.

Lynn Potter, son of Will and Libby (Stoutenborough) Potter was born May 31, 1891. On June 14, 1911 he married Anna Alverda Priddy. One daughter, Anna Elizabeth (Betty) was born May 24, 1916. On April 25, 1940 she married Charles John Ersamer. Two daughters have been born to them, Delores Anne on October 16, 1941 and Fortuna Marie on April 26, 1954.



ANTHONY STOUTENBOROUGH, son of John and Jane (Schenck) Stoutenborough, was born in Butler County, Ohio May 6, 1832 and died April 29, 1906. He came to Maroa, Illinois and on January 21, 1863 he married Sarah Jane Parker, born November 10, 1843, daughter of James Shepherd Parker and Rachel Hankinson Parker. They had four sons: James Parker, John Schenck, Charles William and Garrett, who died when he was 7 years old.

JAMES PARKER STOUTENBOROUGH, son of Anthony and Sarah Jane (Parker) Stoutenborough was born on a farm near Maroa August 5, 1865. On April 9, 1891, he married Gertrude Barr. To this union one son, Roy Barr was born. Gertrude (Barr) Stoutenborough died January 20, 1916. On Dec. 29, 1919, James P. Stoutenborough married Alta Lyman. She died November 28, 1933. To this union three children were born: James P. Jr., Alta Viola, died in infancy, and Tirrell L. Mr. Stoutenborough was interested in farming all of his life. In 1897 he began to raise registered Herefords. At his death, his son Roy continued and the family has raised Herefords continuously since 1897. James P. Stoutenborough died August 3, 1939 and was buried on his 74th birthday.



Roy Barr Stoutenborough, son of James P. and Gertrude (Barr) Stoutenborough was born April 8, 1904. On October 14, 1937 he married Marthalouise Horton, daughter of Joseph T. Horton and Lou Alma (Watson) Horton, of Albuquerque, New Mexico. To this union three children have been born: Roy Barr, Jr., born September 2, 1938, Adrienne Joyce, born September 13, 1940, and Carol Jean, born July 30, 1943. The family lives in Maroa, Illinois, and Roy B. Stoutenborough farms his mother's farm near Argenta, Illinois.

James Parker Stoutenborough, Jr., son of James P. and Alta (Lyman) Stoutenborough, was born August 30, 1921. On June 25, 1944 he married Joan Whitten of Decatur, Illinois. To this union, one daughter, Tirrell Jane, was born September 27, 1945. They now reside in Flint, Michigan where he is in religious work.

Tirrell Lyman Stoutenborough, daughter of James P. and Alta (Lyman) Stoutenborough, was born September 7, 1924. On January 15, 1952 she married Rev. Martin Wayne Van Gelderen. To this union one son, Martin Wayne, Jr., was born October 27, 1953. He is a Baptist minister and they make their home in Miami, Florida.

JOHN SCHENCK STOUTENBOROUGH, son of Anthony and Sara Jane (Parker) Stoutenborough was born February 18, 1867 and died December 6, 1953. On March 28, 1895 he married Lilian Hanes, born October 21, 1868 and died January 8, 1934. One son is living, George, born July 1, 1896. On December 29, 1920 he married Iona Carney and they reside in Maroa.

CHARLES WILLIAM STOUTENBOROUGH, son of Anthony and Sara Jane (Parker) Stoutenborough was born June 3, 1872 and died March 18, 1949. On June 14, 1894 he married Lucy James. To this union three sons were born: Anthony J. February 3, 1896 and married to Lena Malone on December 31, 1920; Harold E., and Russell C.

Harold E. Stoutenborough, son of Charles W. and Lucy (James) Stoutenborough was born June 5, 1898. On December 21, 1920 he married Helen Querfeld. One daughter, Patricia Ann was born

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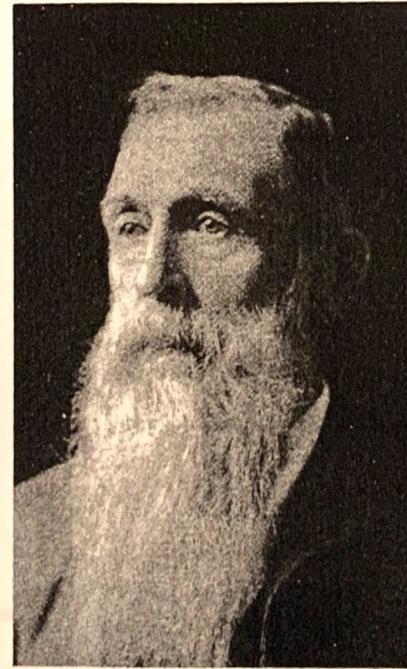
Russell C. Stoutenborough, son of Charles W. and Lucy (James) Stoutenborough was born April 2, 1901. On October 24, 1923, he married Bernice Davis. They live in Decatur, Illinois. Two children were born to this union. BETTY LOU was born September 3, 1925 and on December 22, 1946 she married Charles L. Ritchie. They have two children, a son, Stephen A. born October 9, 1949 and a daughter Leslie Jane born October 14, 1952. They live in Springfield, Illinois. CHARLES GRANT was born May 20, 1929 and on November 27, 1949 he married Barbara C. Troy. They have one son, Thomas Charles born July 21, 1953.



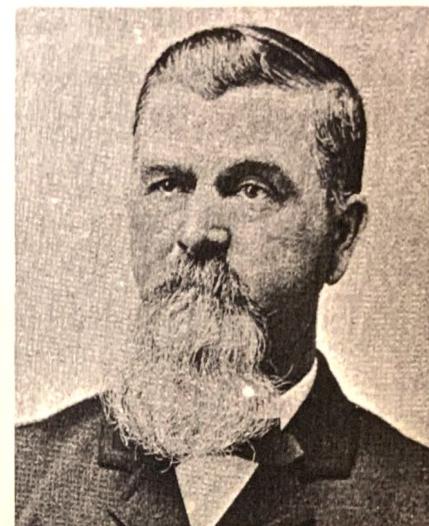
William H. Stoutenborough, son of John and Jane (Schenck) Stoutenborough, was born in Butler County, Ohio, September 17, 1836 and died in 1920. He first married Mary Cummings in 1861. To this union one son, William, was born. He is now deceased. He later married Katherine C. Schenck who was born in 1847 and died in 1907. To this union three children were born: Lillian, who married Charles Schenck; Hattie, now Mrs. J. B. Patterson and living in Los Angeles, California, and Harry.

HARRY STOUTENBOROUGH, son of William H. and Katherine (Schenck) Stoutenborough, was born in 1873 and died

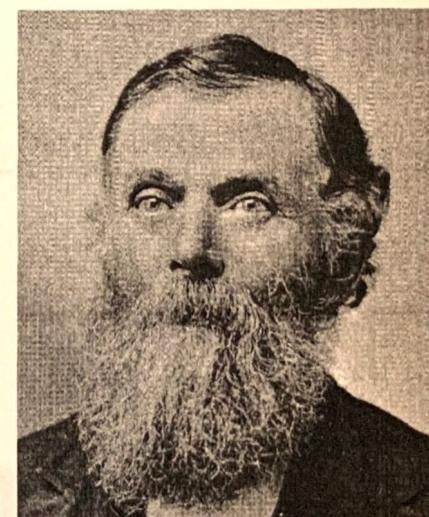
in 1914. He married Bertha Crossman and to this union four children were born: DOROTHY KATHERINE (Snyder) was born in 1903 and lives in Garden Grove, California. She has two sons, Lester and Harry who is married and has one daughter, Betty Carroll. GLENN, was born in 1904 and married Sara Louise Baird. They live in Springfield, Illinois, and have three children: Robert Glenn, who is married to Mary Hursh and they have two children, Linda Sue, and Glenn Joseph; William J. who is not married and lives in Decatur, Illinois; and Patsy Ann, who is married to Richard Houk. MILDRED HATTIE, who was born in 1905 and married Howard Craig and they have one son, John. BERNARD DALE was born in 1908



and lives in Peoria, Illinois. He was married first to Nancy Lockheed and by this union has one daughter, Sally Jo. He later married Alvena Brady and they have one son, Roy, who is married to Ada Ault.



Gabriel Hutchinson was born in Clermont Co., Ohio in 1840. When he came to this state, he located on a farm near Kenney. His wife was Mary Ann Baird. Their children were Nellie (Wikoff), Viva, and William Baird, who married Lulu Moore. The family moved to Maroa in 1884 and Mr. Hutchinson died in 1907.



George Lienhart was born in Strassburg, Germany, in 1830. He came to Illinois at the age of 19. He married Margaret Rothermel and they had the following children: George H., Lewis, Margaret, and John.



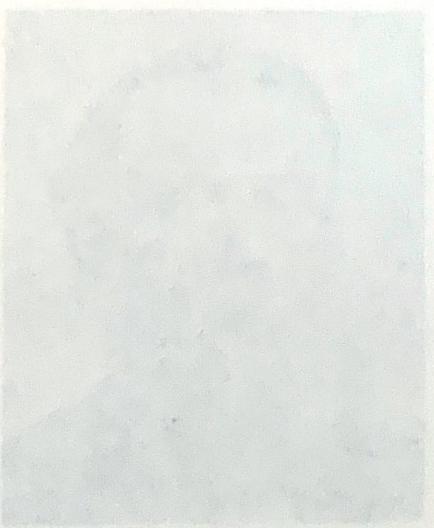
William F. Bridgeman was born in Tennessee in 1832 and came to Jacksonville, Ill. in 1852. He married Elizabeth Jane Williamson in 1855. They were the parents of seven children, the three daughters having been residents of Maroa. They were Lou (Patterson), Eva (Long), and Anna (Martinie). Mr. Bridgeman lived in Maroa several years but died in the I. O. O. F. Home in Mattoon in 1932, shortly before his one-hundredth birthday anniversary.

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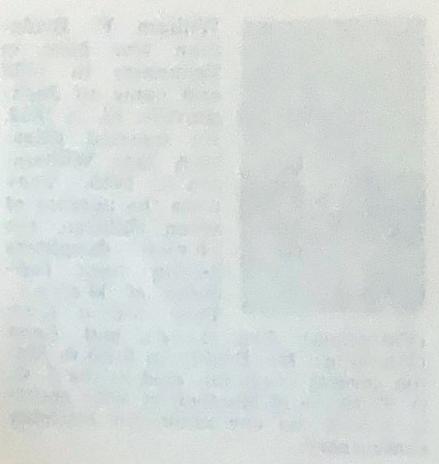
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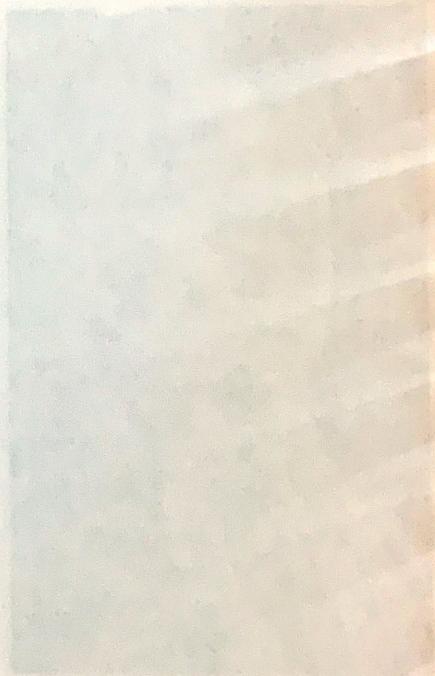


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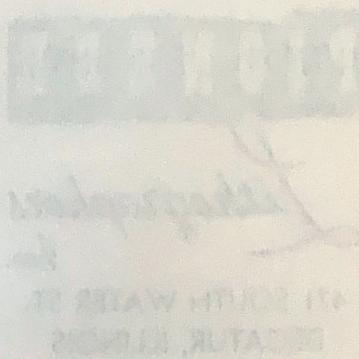


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The Wikoff Family

Levi Wikoff was born in Clinton County, Ohio, January 1, 1854 and died March 1, 1954. His family were the first settlers in the area.

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The Wikoff Family

Lemuel Wikoff was born in Butler County, Ohio, January 13, 1834 and died March 1, 1907. His family was of Hollander descent. His ancestors came to America in the seventeenth century, settling in New Amsterdam on the Long Island side. The ancestral home in New Amsterdam was built in 1656. This home is still standing and contains much of the old furniture.

Lemuel Wikoff's grandfather was a New Jersey farmer and was closely connected with the Revolutionary War. Lemuel Wikoff's father was born in New Jersey and united in marriage to Vashti Ireton. To this union were born five sons. After her death he married Ann Henderson, also of New Jersey. To this union were born seven sons and two daughters: Garrett, Augusta, Gertrude, Jonathan, Peter, John, Hudson, LEMUEL, and Mary Ann.

At the age of eleven years Lemuel Wikoff was left an orphan. He then made his home with two brothers.

In 1854 Lemuel Wikoff came to Illinois and located in Sangamon County where he rented and farmed for three years. In 1857 he came to Decatur, Illinois, and worked for his brother-in-law in dairy farming. After three months he bought out the business and followed dairy farming for three years. In 1863 he moved to DeWitt County and rented a farm for two years. He then returned to Macon County and purchased 80 acres of land five and one-half miles southwest of Maroa and soon bought a tract of 120 acres in Maroa Township. Lemuel Wikoff lived on the farm until 1891 when he retired and moved to Maroa. He was successful and added to his original farm of 80 acres, and at the time of his death in December, 1914, he had accumulated 900 acres of land in Macon County and 100 acres in Louisiana.

On November 27, 1856 at Decatur, Illinois, Lemuel Wikoff was united in marriage to Miss Sarah A. Wikoff, daughter of Peter and Eliza Wikoff. She was born in Ohio in March 1836. To this union were born one daughter and five sons, Olive L., Richard B., James E., Charles W., William A. and Fred O. Wikoff.

Lemuel Wikoff was one of seven men who organized the Citizen's Bank of Maroa. He also assisted in promoting the erection of the Emery Methodist Church four miles south of Maroa. He

was chairman of the building committee during the erection of the old Methodist Church in Maroa, and a member of the committee that had charge of the building of the present Methodist Church in Maroa. He was a trustee of the church society, and custodian of its deeds and records until the time of his death.

Lemuel Wikoff served three terms as commissioner of highways, and also served as a member of the school board.

Lemuel and Sarah A. Wikoff are buried in Maroa Cemetery.

OLIVE L. WIKOFF, was the eldest child of Lemuel and Sarah Wikoff. She was born September 7, 1857 in Decatur, Illinois, later moved with her parents to Maroa Township, where she grew up, attending schools near Maroa. She was married to Alvin Lyman, a native of Farmingdale, Ill. in 1882. They settled near Maroa and lived in that vicinity until retiring in 1920, moving to Forsyth and later to Decatur, Illinois. Mrs. Olive Lyman passed away July 21, 1925, after a lingering illness, and Mr. Alvin Lyman passed away in June, 1926. They were the parents of four children: Laura, Charles L., Earl W. and Vera.

Laura Lyman married Harry Grant, both having passed away in California, where the family lived. Their three children, Harold, Marian and Donald still live in the west.

Charles L. Lyman married Ivy Lehman of Forsyth, Illinois, in



April, 1905. They have three daughters: Maxine L., married J. E. Pakgrove in 1950 and lives in Washington, D. C.; C. Rhonetta, married Morris M. Rockwell in 1935 and lives in Arlington, Virginia. They have one daughter, Patricia Ann, married to James H. Clarkin in January, 1949. To this union one son Mike, was born in 1953. They live in Falls Church, Virginia. Mildred E. married Eldon R. Berry in February, 1929, and they live in Decatur, Illinois. They have two sons; a daughter, Nancy Lee, died in infancy. Richard L. Berry, the well known magician "Marko," married Phyllis Phipps in February, 1950. They have two children: Mark R., born in July, 1952, and Karen Kay, born in October, 1953. Richard is in business with his father, who owns the Berry Construction Co. Corporal Gerald T. Berry married Mary MacGuire of Springfield in October, 1953. He is in the 167th Inf. at Fort Lewis, Washington. They have a daughter, Kathy, born in 1954.

Earl W. Lyman, married Lois Leiter of Maroa, September 5, 1908. They have one son, Walter A., who married Teletha Lapp, June 19, 1951, and they have one son, Richard, born in 1953. All live in Decatur, Illinois.

Vera Lyman married Clarence J. Hill of Decatur, in February, 1913. They have two children. Mary Ellen, married to Melvin Long, January, 1943, and live in Champaign, Illinois with their three children: Kathy, Melvin, Jr., and Patricia Ann. Clarence J. Jr. married Maxine Thomson in October, 1945, and have one child, Debbie Ann, born in 1949, and they live in Decatur, Illinois. Clarence Jr. is a veteran of World War II, serving overseas for two years.

What I Wish I Knew

When I first started my business, I had no idea what I was getting myself into. I had no idea how much work it would take, or how many late nights I would have to pull. I had no idea how much stress it would cause, or how much I would miss out on my personal life. I had no idea how much I would learn, or how much I would grow. I had no idea how much I would love what I was doing, or how much I would miss it when I wasn't doing it.

Now, looking back, I realize that all of those things were true. I am now a successful business owner, but I have also learned a lot along the way. I have learned that success is not just about hard work and dedication, but also about having the right mindset and the right support system. I have learned that failure is part of the process, and that it's important to keep pushing forward even when things get tough. I have learned that it's important to surround yourself with positive people who believe in you, and to seek out opportunities to grow and learn. I have learned that success is not just about making money, but also about creating a meaningful impact on the world around you.

As I look back on my journey, I realize that I made some mistakes, but I also learned a lot from them. I made mistakes in my business, mistakes in my personal life, and mistakes in my relationships. But through each mistake, I learned something new, and grew stronger. I learned that failure is not the end, but rather a opportunity to learn and improve. I learned that success is not just about making money, but also about creating a meaningful impact on the world around you.

Now, as I look back on my journey, I realize that I have come a long way. I have learned a lot, and I have grown as a person. I have learned that success is not just about making money, but also about creating a meaningful impact on the world around you. I have learned that success is not just about hard work and dedication, but also about having the right mindset and the right support system. I have learned that success is not just about making money, but also about creating a meaningful impact on the world around you.

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CONGRATULATIONS TO MAROA CENTENNIAL

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WILLIAM A. WILCOFF, 86, of Maroa, was born August 24, 1867, in Maroa Township. He died December 1, 1953.

He farmed and operated a hardware business in Maroa from 1889 to 1905. The rest of his life, until his retirement, was

spent in Clinton, Ill., where he retired in 1948 and moved to Deacon's Woods.

William A. Wilcoff was united in marriage to Elvira, born Hockaday, November 7, 1876, in the Elmer Methodist Church. She was one of eight children born November 7, 1876, a daughter of James and Martha (Walker) Hockaday. She now lives in Deacon's Woods.

To this union were born three children, Horatio, James Charles, Helen (born November 7, 1894—died June 17, 1927), and William.

Horatio died in 1927 and graduated from Maroa High School. After teaching for five years, she was united in marriage to Edward Hayes by Deacon, February 14, 1936. Edward was born June 18,

Richard Gale Wilcox was born February 18, 1928, at Decatur, Illinois. On October 21, 1947, he married Ruth L. (born January 18, 1928).

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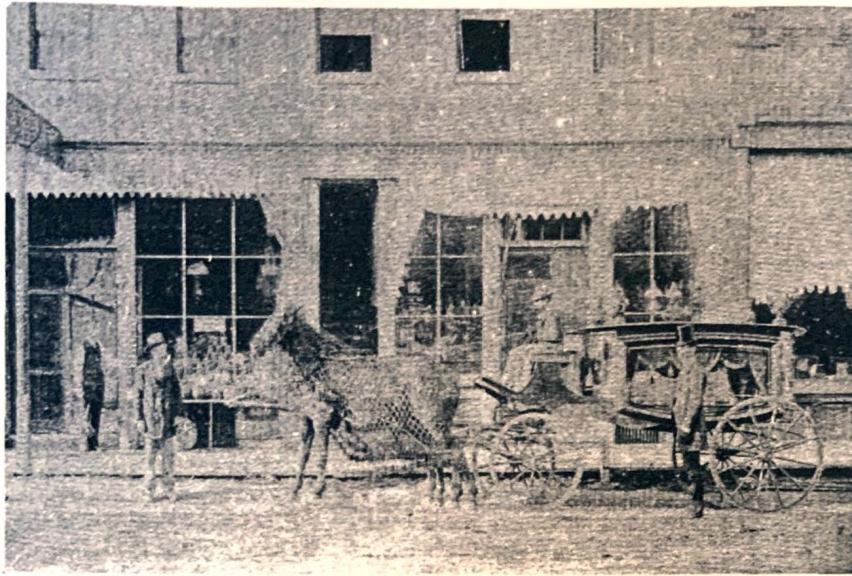
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Home and was located on the site of the Masonic Temple, at Church and William Streets in Decatur. He married Hazel Jeanette Yondorf, daughter of Charles and Hattie (Jones) Yondorf on October 23, 1916. To this union one son, Forest Gale, Jr. was born June 14, 1932 in Decatur, Illinois. He graduated from Millikin University in June, 1954. Forest G. Wikoff now operates the Dawson & Wikoff Funeral Home.

Preston Troy Wikoff was born in Decatur on February 2, 1895. He attended high school there and as did his grandfather, Lemuel Wikoff, ran a dairy for about fifteen years. On May 10, 1913, he married Edna Freemont. They are the parents of four sons and one daughter. About 1925 he moved to Urbana, Illinois, where he bought the Renner Funeral Home at the corner of Race and Green Streets. His sons, Donald T., Charles W. and Richard Gale are in business with him. Donald T. Wikoff was born January 5, 1914 at Decatur, Illinois. On September 17, 1932 he married Ruth Brennen born in 1913 and their son, Gary Troy, was born June 12, 1940. William Preston Wikoff was born May 31, 1921 at Decatur, Illinois. On July 12, 1941 he married Eileen Gilmore, born in 1922. Their daughter, Judith Ann was born January 21, 1944. November 3, 1953.

He has a funeral home in Rossville, about 40 miles northeast of Urbana, Illinois. He went into the army November 20, 1942, saw service overseas and was wounded in action in

France May 11, 1945 and came home September 29, 1945. Charles W. Wikoff was born September 28, 1923 at Decatur, Illinois. On March 9, 1947 he married Lucile Rhymer. They have two children: Joan Lucille, born February 10, 1950, and Robert Wesley on October 22, 1952. He entered the Army Air Corps January 31, 1943. He was air corps instructor here in the States and came home September 29, 1945. Richard Gale Wikoff was born February 13, 1926 at Decatur, Illinois. On October 21, 1947 he married Ellen McQuaid, born in 1922. They have three children: John Preston, born January 18, 1949, Ellen Gail, born December 13, 1949 and Kevin Blake, born January 18, 1954. He was in the Navy from June 26, 1944 until Aug. 17, 1945. Eleanor Ann Wikoff was born August 23, 1930 at Champaign, Illinois. On July 30, 1950 she was married to Wayne Walter Robertson, born in 1928. They have one son, Dennis Todd, born May 8, 1953.

Birdie Levare Wikoff was born in Decatur, October 8, 1898. She graduated from Decatur High School in 1918 and on June 22, 1921 she married R. Archie West, the son of Dr. and Mrs. Charles Edward West. They have one son Robert Wikoff, who was born April 13 1927. He graduated from Decatur High School and the University of Illinois and is with the WSQY Radio Station in Decatur, Illinois. On August 5, 1950, he married Jean Miriam Shaffer daughter of Russell and Bertha Nickey Shaffer. They have a daughter, Jane Anna

WILLIAM AUGUSTA WI-KOFF, was born August 24, 1867 in Maroa Township. He died December 1, 1935.

He owned and operated a hardware business in Maroa from 1901 to 1903. The rest of his life, until retirement, was spent in farming near Maroa. He retired from farming in 1923, and moved to Decatur, Illinois.

William A. Wikoff was united in marriage to Harriet Anna Hockaday, November 7, 1889, in the Emery Methodist Church. She was one of eight children, born November 7, 1870, a daughter of James and Martha (Walker) Hockaday. She now lives in Decatur, Illinois.

To this union were born four children: Bernice, James Orville, Helen (born November 7, 1894—died June 17, 1897), and Fleta.

Bernice Pearl Wikoff was born October 15, 1890 and graduated from Maroa High School. After teaching for five years, she was united in marriage to Elwood Hanes in Decatur, February 19, 1916. Elwood was born June 2, 1894, son of Edward Arthur Hanes and Mary (Keister) Hanes. Edward Hanes was born in 1866 and died in 1906. Mary K. Hanes was born in 1869 and died in 1901. Elwood has one brother, Howard, and two sisters, Martha and Helen Hanes. Elwood has been a farmer and cattleman near Maroa all of his life. To this union was born one son, Ralph Elwood Hanes, born February 7, 1917. He graduated from Maroa High School and received his B.S. degree from the University of Illinois in 1942. That same year he enlisted in the U. S. Navy where he served on the U. S. S. Thetis Bay with the Pacific Fleet and was released from active duty as a Lieutenant in 1946. He is now farming near Maroa. He was united in marriage to Mary Gene Fabry November 14, 1945 at her home in Pekin, Illinois. She was born January 25, 1922, a daughter of Alphonse and Ida (Keena)

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Fabry. To this union were born three children: Diane Lynn Hanes, born November 15, 1946, Richard Arthur Hanes, born August 26, 1949, and Jane Bernice Hanes, born December 10, 1953. All are members of Maroa Methodist Church.

James Orville Wikoff was born August 24, 1892 near Maroa. He graduated from Maroa High School and is now farming the home place. In 1914 he married Nellie Edith Bricker, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. I. N. Bricker. Three children were born to this union, near Maroa, Ill.: James Darwin was born October 17, 1914. He graduated from Maroa High School and the University of Illinois and worked for Armour Packing Co. until he entered the service in August, 1941. He was in the Army Air Corps for four years, becoming a Major, and was sent overseas. He is now in the implement business at Easton, Illinois. He was married to Mary Louise Jennings of Joplin, Mo., a daughter of Mrs. George Little at Joplin, Mo., in 1941. Three children were born to this union: Nancy Kathryn, born March 1, 1943, in Waco, Texas, Suzanne was born November 9, 1944 and was killed October 9, 1947; Kenneth Eugene was born August 17, 1947 in Canton, Illinois. Helen Elizabeth was born January 2, 1916, graduated from Maroa High School and attended the University of Illinois for 3½ years. She was married to Edward F. Dudley, Jr., of Oak Park, Illinois, in 1938 near Maroa. He was the son of Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Dudley, Sr. He is affiliated with the U. S. Steel Corporation in Chicago. Three children were born to this union in Chicago, Illinois: Edward F. III, born May 14, 1939, James Robert, born March 15, 1942, and Deborah Ann, born August 26, 1952. William Franklin was born March 27, 1917 and graduated from Maroa High School and from the University of Illinois. He entered the Army Air Corps in February, 1943, and was in the army 3½ years, serving as a B-29 pilot and seeing overseas duties. He is now

farming his father's farm. He was married to Mary Louise Kelly of San Jose, Illinois in 1947, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. O. D. Kelly in San Jose, Illinois. They have one daughter, Luann Kaye, born in Decatur, Illinois, August 17, 1953.

Fleta Imogene Wikoff was born October 9, 1896. She was graduated from Maroa High School in 1914 and studied music at Millikin Conservatory of Music. She was married to Harold Russell Hanes, January 1, 1920, in the home of her parents in Maroa, Illinois. H. Russell Hanes was born April 18, 1897 in Hickory Point Township, a son of George Harold and Florence (Montgomery) Hanes of Decatur, Illinois. He enlisted in the U. S. Marines and served two years overseas in World War I. He is now farming near Warrensburg, Illinois. To this union two daughters were born: Betty Imogene was born September 16, 1920, near Warrensburg, Illinois. She graduated from Warrensburg High School and attended Brown's Business College in Decatur. She was secretary at Macon County AAA Office in Decatur, Illinois for several years. She was married to Corwin Charles Marsh, December 24, 1941 in the bride's home. He was born June 10, 1919, the son of Charles and Vilena (Augustus) Marsh of Maroa, Illinois. He is now farming near Maroa, Illinois. To this union four children were born: Alan Charles, September 19, 1943; Sally Jo, May 22, 1946; Harold Daniel, January 30, 1948, and Mary Ellen on February 11, 1952. Harriet Florence was born May 24, 1922 and graduated from Warrensburg High School. She was general bookkeeper at the Millikin National Bank of Decatur for several years. She was married to William Francis Hill June 10, 1943 in the Methodist Church at Warrensburg, Illinois. William F. Hill was born March 18, 1918, a son of Chester R. and Allie (Brown) Hill near Decatur, Illinois. He served three years in the U. S. Army with two years overseas duty during World War II and is now with the Millikin National Bank of Decatur, Illinois. To this union two children were born: Thomas William on December 4, 1946, and Sue Jane on March 7, 1950.

FRED O. WIKOFF was born November 28, 1875 in the home place, 5½ miles southwest of Maroa, and died May 2, 1939. At the age of 13 he moved with his parents to Maroa where he attended school and graduated in 1895 from Maroa High School. He attended

Brown's Business College in Decatur for one year. He entered the Citizens Bank at Maroa as bookkeeper and assistant cashier, where he stayed for twenty-seven years until the bank closed its doors. In 1899 he was married to Nellie E. Cade, who graduated from same class in 1895. She was the daughter of Stephen and Martha Cooper Cade. After the closing of the Citizens Bank, he took a position in Burtchi's State Bank of Decatur. Two children were born to this union: Russell L. and Juanita E.

Russell L. Wikoff was born March 14, 1901. He graduated from Maroa High School and later married Ruth Slater of Robinson, Illinois. He is affiliated with the Humble Oil Company of Houston, Texas.

Juanita E. Wikoff was born May 21, 1904. She also graduated from Maroa High School and taught two years in Maroa Schools. She married Richard D. Head of Decatur, Illinois. Richard D. Head is now deceased and she is residing in Dallas, Texas.

Thomas B. Pyle and wife, Lizzie Rose Pyle, removed from the County of Washington, Kentucky, the birthplace of Mr. Pyle, to Maroa, Macon County, Illinois, in 1881. Mrs. Pyle was born at Bradfordsville, Marion County, Kentucky.

The antecedents of Mr. and Mrs. Pyle were among the earliest settlers of Kentucky. Their families were of English, Irish and Scotch colonists and were in the Jamestown and Maryland Colonies.

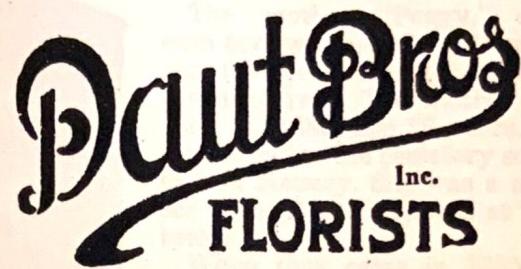
The children: John Henry, Lonnie Hundley and Herbert Dee (all deceased) and Lula Rose (Stuhr) and Nina Lee.



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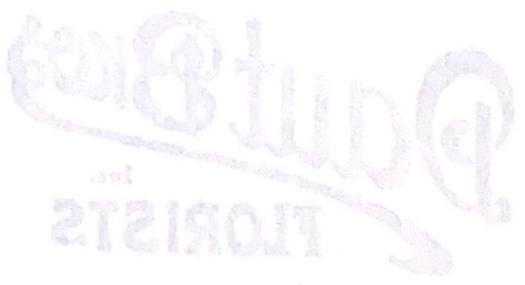
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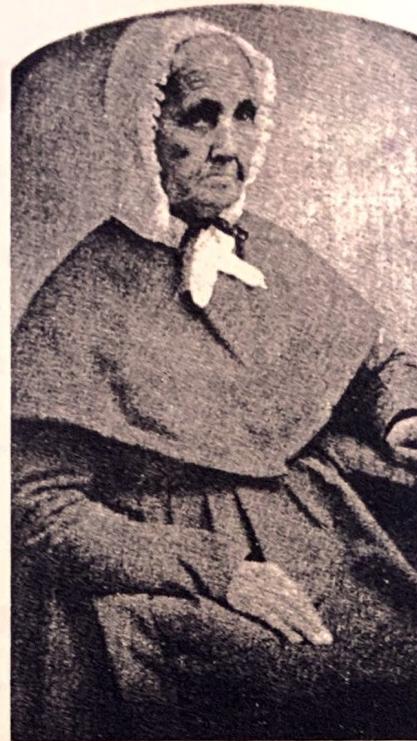
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George Gray, Sr., was born in County Antrim, Ireland, in April 1775. We do not know when he came to America but many Irish and Scotch Protestants came to America from this part of Ireland in the years 1782, 1791. Several families by the name of Gray lived in Abbeville County, South Carolina. At present we have no record of relationship between our ancestors, George Gray, Sr., and these families.

On March 6, 1811 George Gray, Sr. married Margaret McKinney. She was born in Abbeville County, South Carolina on March 10, 1791. (A Robert McKinney lived in Abbeville County in 1790, but we do not know if Margaret was his daughter.)

After the marriage of George Gray, Sr. and Margaret, whom he has called "Peggy" in all his records, they went to a farm

The GRAY Family



about 50 miles east of Natchez, Mississippi, to make their home. Here they lived for 24 years and here all of their five children were born.

On October 29, 1813, George Gray, Sr. enlisted in Capt. John Lowery's Company of Mississippi Militia and served as a private until April 28, 1814. He was mustered out of service at New Orleans.

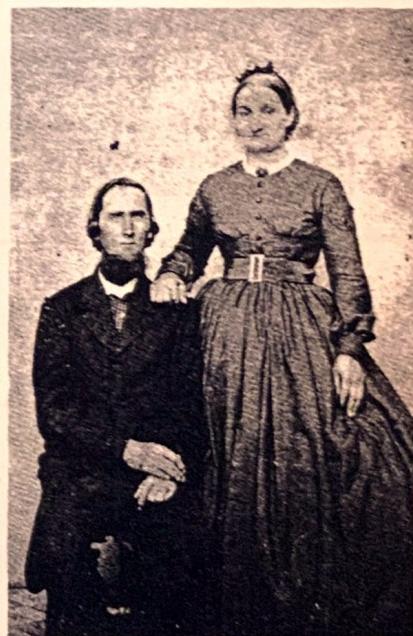
In the Spring of 1835 George Gray, Sr. and his wife "Peggy" with their little family, traveled up the Mississippi River on a steamboat to the new land which was being settled.

built during the winter. John N. Gray settled on what has ever since been the Gray homestead.

The mother, "Peggy," came with her two sons, John Newland and George Gray. Robert came the next year. The mother died June 11, 1880, age 89 years, and was buried in the cemetery southeast of Kenney. She was a member of the Baptist Church at Tunbridge.

When they came in 1835 the country was wild prairie. Mr. Gray was one of the pioneers who helped to reduce the virgin soil to a state of cultivation. The house he built was one of the first on the road leading west from Maroa. This was his home until his removal to Maroa Nov. 29, 1886, when he left the farm work to his son, Henry Benton Gray.

He and his wife united with the Methodist Protestant Church



Their children were: Robert, age 13; George, Jr., age 12; Caroline, age 9; John Newland, age 6; Rosanna, age 3. At Shawneetown they left the boat to seek their new home on Illinois soil. Soon they went to Naples by boat and bought a farm near Lynnnville, Illinois, where they settled. They purchased a farm of 120 acres, one and one-half miles west of Lynnnville from Nathan Winters. Here on Feb. 11, 1840, George Gray, Sr. died and was buried in Kincaid Cemetery, 5 miles west of Lynnnville, Ill.

John Newland Gray married Miss Rosa Jane Funk, Feb. 13, 1851. In the fall of 1854 John N. Gray, and his brother George, Anderson Kemp and M. P. Funk came to Maroa and bought land on the ridge west of town. They bought material and let contracts for the erection of houses on their respective places and then returned home. The main line of the Illinois Central Railroad was just being completed and it is a note worthy fact that these men paid the first freight charges for a car of brick, which they shipped from Decatur. In the Spring of 1855 these four men and their families moved overland in covered wagons drawn by ox teams, and settled on the farms which they had bought the previous fall and on which houses had been

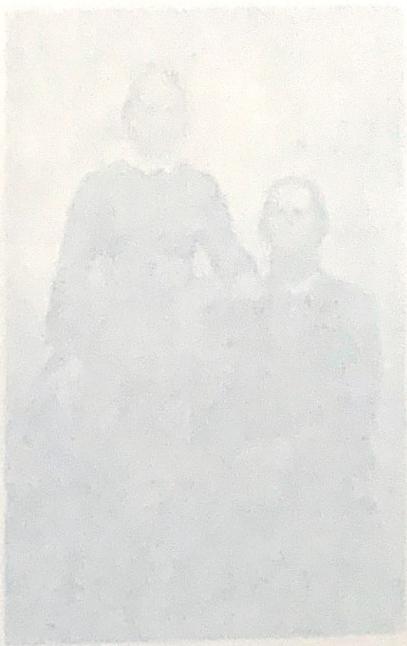
west of Maroa in 1857 under the pastorate of Elder L. M. Robinson, and in 1905 transferred their membership to the Methodist Church in Maroa, Rev. R. W. Ennis, pastor.

They had six children, Lydia Ann, who married Charles O. Austin Dec. 8, 1870. She died Sept. 23, 1937. Albert, who died Sept. 20, 1861. Hannah E., who married John P. Parker Feb. 11, 1875. She died Nov. 26, 1914. Mary Ellen married Geo. H. Vernon Dec. 30, 1880. She died June 15, 1947. Henry Benton married Dora E. Kerwood Jan. 10, 1884. He died Dec. 10, 1902. David

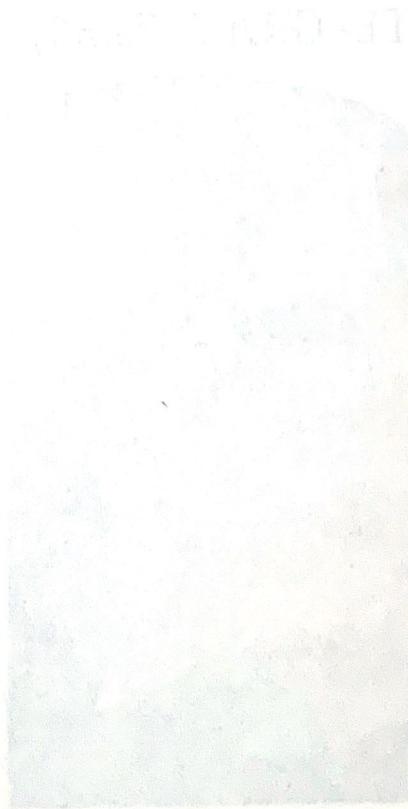
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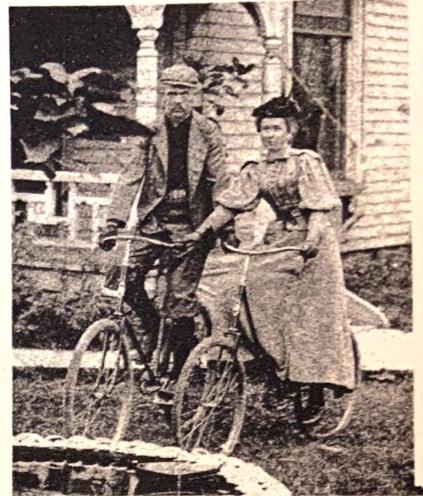
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John N. Gray died Aug. 26, 1911; his wife, Rosa Jane, died March 15, 1910.

Henry Benton Gray had four children, Rena Fazel, Petersburg, Va., who had two children, a daughter Mary, and son Charles, killed in Battle of the Bulge; Essa Gray, Maroa; Otto, killed in World War I; and Howard.

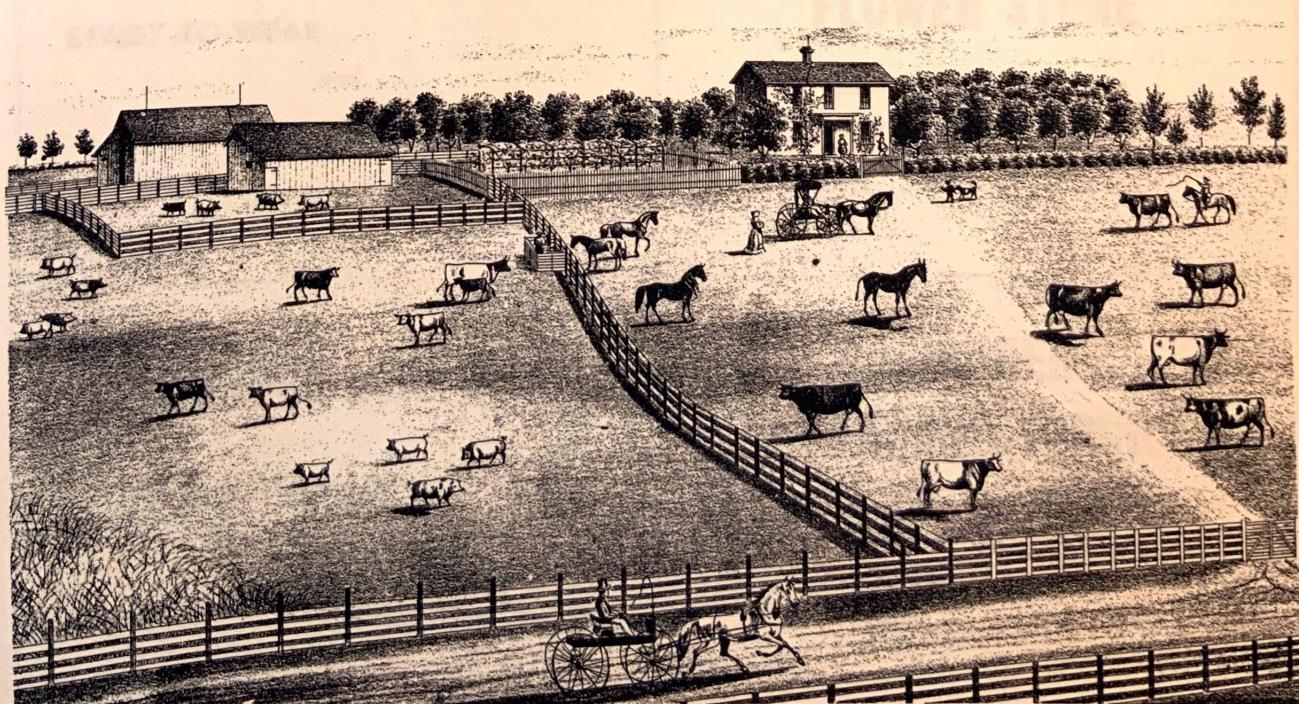
Howard E. Gray married Lois M. Lawrence Sept. 12, 1929. Their son John L. Gray married Nancy Ann Loveless Dec. 5, 1948; their son George Robert was born Oct. 29, 1950. Howard E. and John L., with their family now live on the Gray Homestead.

George Gray, Jr. was born Oct. 17, 1823 near Natchez, Mississippi, married Eliza Ann Clough March 22, 1846 at Lynnville, Illinois. Came to Ma-

roa, Illinois in the Fall of 1854, bought land west of Maroa, moved here the next Spring with his family. Died June 14, 1891 at Lyons, Kansas, buried at Oak Ridge Cemetery, Springfield, Ill.

Eliza Ann was born Sept. 24, 1824 at Pontefract, England, eleven children were born to this union. She died at Lyons, Kansas Aug. 24, 1923, buried by the side of her husband in Springfield, Ill.

Robert Gray was born near Natchez, Miss., March 15, 1822. He married Catherine L. Funk on Dec. 18, 1842. She was born Jan. 8, 1824 in Clinton, Tenn. They resided in Lynnville, Ill., moving to Maroa Township in 1855 to live on a farm which they had purchased the previous year. Four children were born to this union. Mrs. Gray died Oct. 3, 1870 and her husband on Sept. 7, 1882. Both are buried in the Upper Ridge cemetery, west of Maroa.



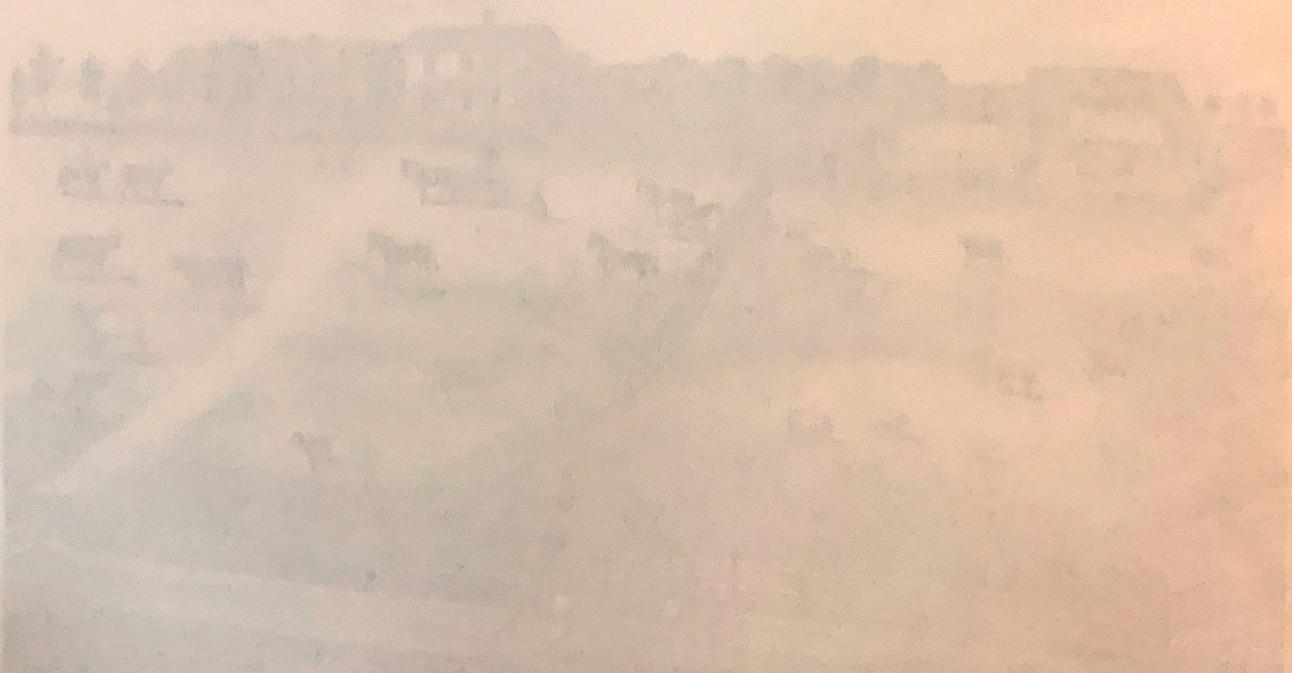
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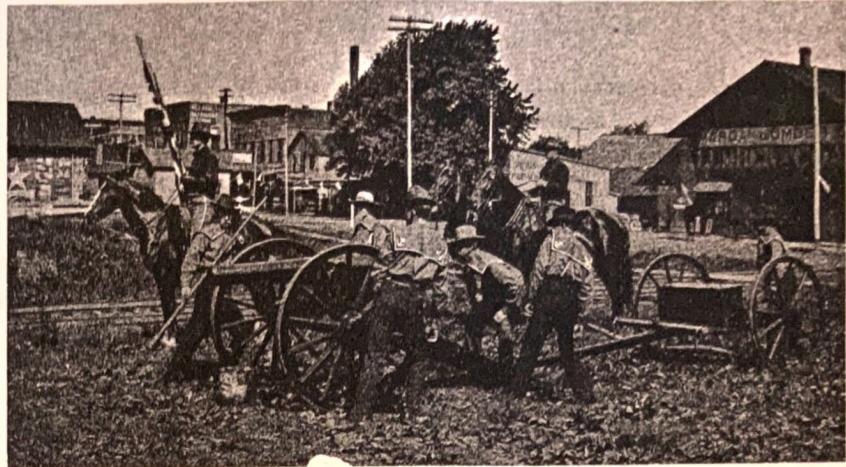
John Kempshall, Sr.

John Kempshall, Sr. was born in England, February 6, 1811. He married Eliza Haben in 1843 and in 1854 they came to America with their five children: John, Charles, Eleazer, Willie and Agnes. They settled in Connecticut where the mother and Willie, the baby, died. Later Mr. Kempshall married Fanny Hempstock and they moved to Knoxville, Tenn. They had four children: Albert, William, George and Edwin. During the Civil War, Mr. Kempshall made shoes for the army, having learned the trade in England. He died in 1887 in Maroa.



John Kempshall, Jr.

John Kempshall, Jr. was born in Wescot, Surrey County, England, October 16, 1844. He was ten years old when the family moved to America. At the begin-

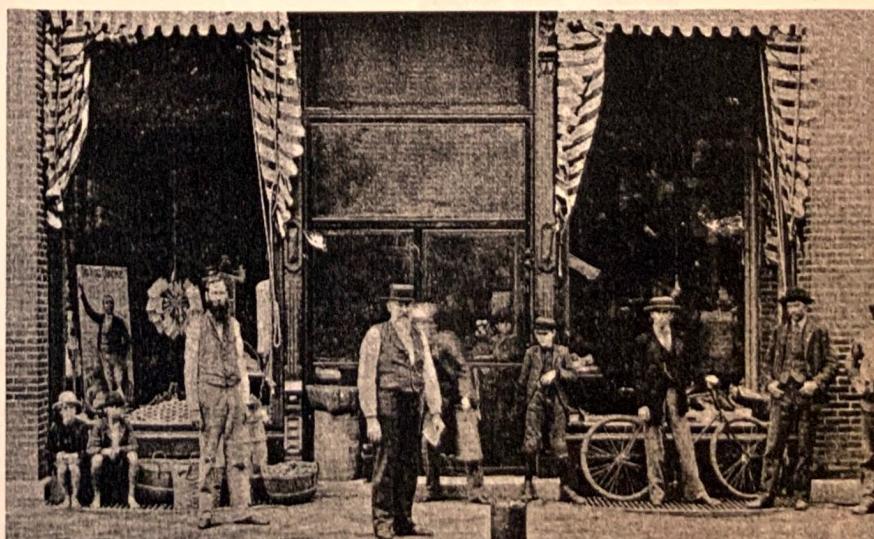


ning of the war he helped his father make shoes. Two of his brothers joined the Union Army and in January, 1863, he enlisted in the Confederate Army. He fought in eight battles, the most important being at Stone River, near Murfreesboro, Tenn., where 30,000 were killed or wounded on both sides during three days of fighting. In 1866 Mr. Kempshall came to Maroa where he started the first shoe shop, employing three shoemakers. On June 5, 1870, he married Rueberta Ball, daughter of Benjamin and Harriet Ball. Their four children still living in Maroa are Agnes (Kirchoff), Minnie, W. Lee, and Bernice (Grady). Three grandchildren are Homer Kirchoff, Rueberta Grady Raney, and Wayne S. Kempshall. The great-grandchildren are Ann and Robert Lee Kempshall and Sandra Lee Kirchoff. Mr. Kempshall died in 1923 at the age of 78 and his wife died in 1945 at the age of 96.



Rueberta Ball Kempshall

Benjamin Ball (1793 - 1877) and his wife, Harriet (1809-1890), brought their family to Maroa from Virginia in 1858. Rueberta (Kempshall) was one of their nine children. Mr. Ball was a coachmaker by trade and later was a painter.



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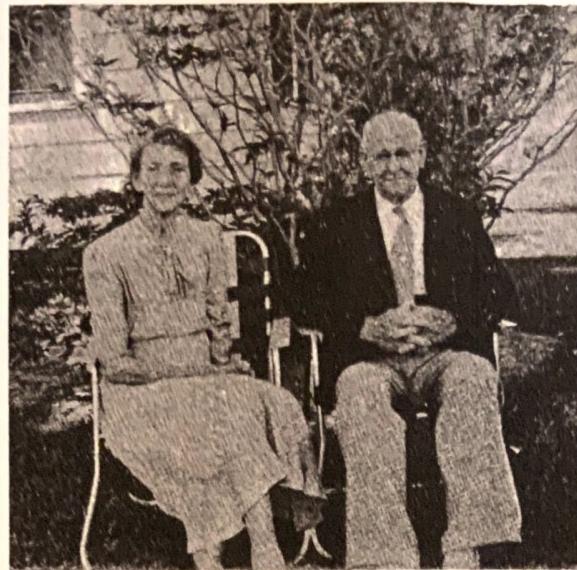
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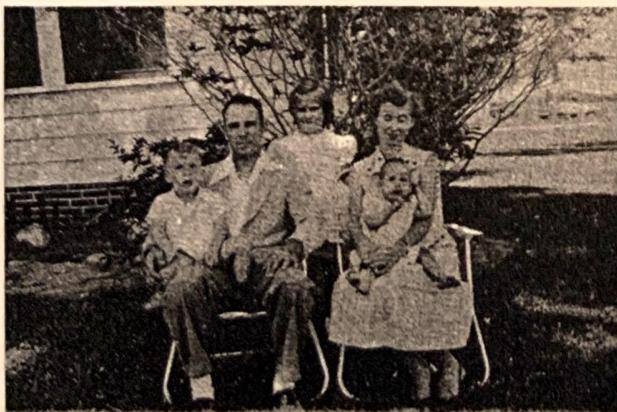
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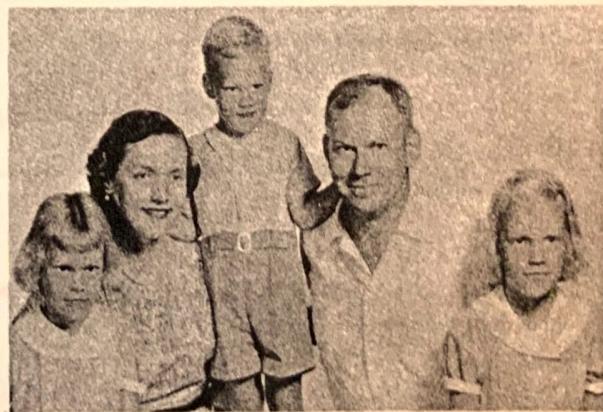
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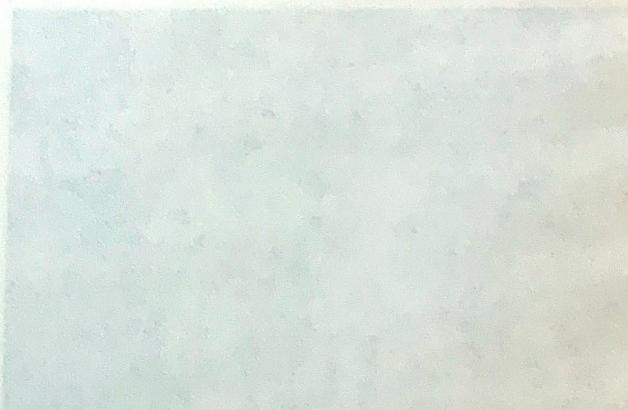
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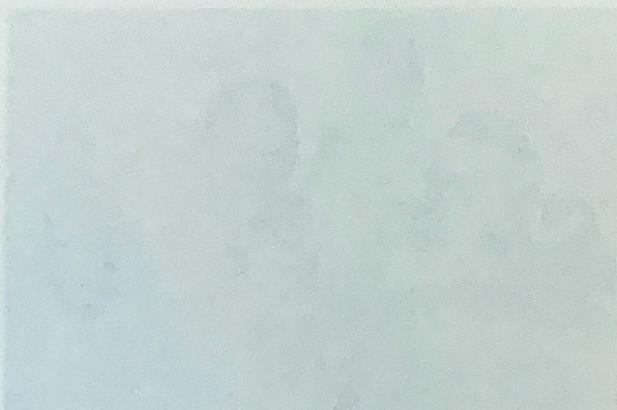
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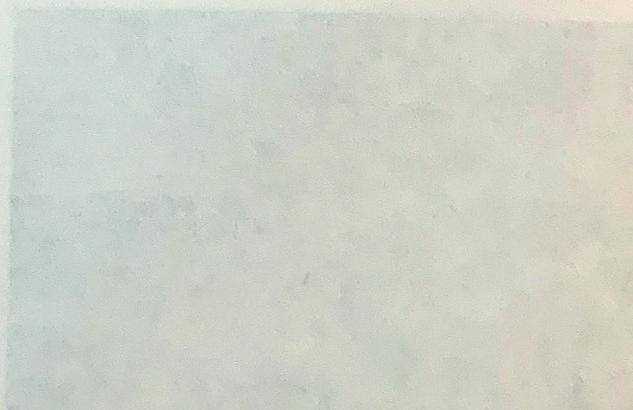
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This picture was made in 1883.

The residence was one of the first houses built in Maroa.



The Isaac Dill family came to Maroa, Illinois from Butler County, Ohio in 1855, making the journey in an ox drawn wagon. The family, at that time, consisted of Isaac Dill, age 32; his wife, Mary Ann Bross Dill, age 30; four children: Catherine, age 9; Elizabeth, age 6; William, age 4; and Mary Ann, age 1. Also with them was Amos Dill, 19 year old brother of Isaac Dill, who lived with them as one of the family for six years after they came to Maroa.

The family settled on a farm in the "Ridge" community, west of Maroa, and the children attended the "Upper Ridge" school.

Two more children were born to the Isaac Dills: Jacob, in 1857; and Ellen, in 1860. But death also visited the family. On February 27, 1860, the oldest child, Catherine, died; and a month later, March 27, 1860, Isaac Dill died, aged 37. The family attended the "Ridge" church, and Isaac Dill's grave was the first one in the "Ridge" church-yard cemetery.

Soon after the death of Isaac Dill, his widow, Mrs. Mary Ann Dill, and her five children moved from the farm into Maroa, to the house on South Oak Street, facing the railroad, now occupied by Mr. and Mrs. John Osborn. The house was built for Mrs. Dill and is one of the oldest residences in Maroa.

Among the soldiers returning at the close of the Civil War, was Thomas A. Hackney, who had come to Texas Township in 1858 from Virginia. Thomas Hackney and Mrs. Mary Ann Dill were married in 1867 and continued to live in the house on South Oak Street until their deaths: he at the age of 60, and she at the age of 85. They had one daughter, Clara Belle, born in 1869.

All of the Isaac Dill children and Clara Hackney married and lived most of their lives in or near Maroa. However, the only ones living in Maroa and the community now, at Maroa's Centennial in 1954, are the descendants of Elizabeth Dill.

Elizabeth Dill was married in 1863 to John H. Wright. They, too, lived on a farm in the Ridge district, and there three children were born: Charles M., in 1865; Laura, in 1867; and Ebert F., in 1870. In December 1870 typhoid fever took the life of John H. Wright at the age of 30. So another young widow and her small children moved into Maroa, to a two roomed house on South Oak Street, just block south of her mother, Mrs. Hackney. And, in 1872, another Civil War soldier came to Maroa.

Elizabeth Dill Wright and Jacob James Leach were married November 23, 1873. The little two roomed house was enlarged and was the Leach family home until the death of Mrs. Elizabeth Leach in 1938 at the age of 89. Six children were born to "Jim" and Elizabeth Leach: Etta, who was later Mrs. Lawrence Stonebraker, died 1941; Clarence W. Leach, who lived many years in Denver, Colo., died 1947; Emma, who is Mrs. Albert Riskind of Eagle Pass, Texas; Emmett J. Leach, who farms near Maroa; Joseph, who died in infancy; and Virgil A. Leach who is a building contractor and lives on South Oak Street in Maroa, next door to the old Leach home which he owns.

Of the more than 200 descendants of the Isaac Dills, 151 are the descendants of Elizabeth Dill. Twenty-five of these are living in or near Maroa at this time, 1954: Eva Wright Bennett, Lela Wright Howell, her son James Howell and his sons, Robert and Richard; Ercel Wright Stuller, her son Allen Stuller, her daughter Aldah Stuller McIlvenna and her daughters, Ruth Ann McIlvenna and Nancy McIlvenna Pryde; Emmet J. Leach, a son Arthur M. Leach, another son, Leonard E. Leach and his children Trevor and Loretta, and a daughter Rosalie Leach Paceley and son Kenneth; Virgil A. Leach, daughter Marjorie Leach, son Charles E. Leach and children Beverly and Belinda, another son, James W. Leach and children James J. and John W. Leach. A number of Elizabeth Dill descendants live in Decatur, Ill.; the others are scattered through many states and from coast to coast.

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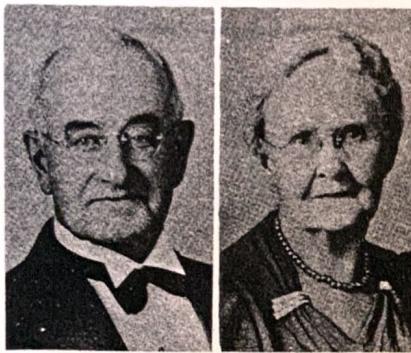
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WILLIAM SCHENCK FAMILY

William Schenck was born March 5, 1860, in the first house built in Maroa. His parents were Mr. and Mrs. Garrett Schenck. He attended public schools here, later going to business school in Chicago. Returning to Maroa in 1880, he soon started an Insurance business which he continued until his retirement in 19___. He was interested in many civic enterprises and had an interest in the Maroa Manufacturing Co., and the Crocker Elevator Co.



On July 27, 1880, Mr. Schenck married Frances E. Ross who was born in Missouri September 5, 1860 and came to Maroa at the age of ten years. To this union two daughters were born. They are Alice Wyatt and Edith Clark, wife of Lynn Clark of Decatur.

Mr. and Mrs. Schenck were members of the Presbyterian Church and were tireless workers there. For many years they sang in a quartette at the morning services. The other two members were Chas. F. Schenck and his sister, Mrs. Ella Schenck. When Mr. Schenck retired, they moved to Decatur where he died in 1945. Mrs. Schenck died in 1942.

Alice, who married James O. Wyatt, now lives at Fort Devens, Massachusetts, at the home of her son, William. William was born in Maroa January 13, 1911. He enlisted in the U. S. Army Reserve Corps in 1928 and has been in the army since that time, having attained the rank of Lt. Colonel in 1950. On April 6, 1936, he married Shirley Viola McWhorter of Minneapolis, Minn. They have three daughters: Dianne Lee and twins, Stephanie Sue and Cheryl Lynne.

Mr. and Mrs. Clark had two daughters: Frances Jane (Eschelman) deceased, and Joan (Bliler). There are two grandchildren: Douglas Clark Eschelman and Jennifer Lynn Bliler.

DAVID SCHENCK FAMILY

David Schenck was born in York, New Jersey, October 8, 1825. His parents dying when he was a child he was cared for in an orphanage, where he learned the blacksmith trade. When a young man, he moved to Franklin, Ohio, where he followed his trade for some time. At this place he met Miss Huldah Long and they were married January 14, 1847.



Mr. and Mrs. Will Schenck

In 1853, in company with relatives, Mr. Schenck drove to Illinois and purchased 130 acres of land three miles west and one mile north of the present town of Maroa. Returning to his Ohio home, he made plans to move west, but on account of sickness in his home, he did not make the trip back until October, 1854. The move was made in a covered wagon. Mr. and Mrs. Schenck and three small children lived in a log cabin on their land. Mr. Schenck soon built a blacksmith shop just south of his home and operated that for a number of years along with his farming.

Four daughters and one son were born to this union namely: Catherine, Ann Eliza, Ella, Alice and Silas J.

Catherine married William H. Stoutenborough and their children were Lillian (Mrs. Charles F. Schenck) Hattie Jane (Mrs. James Patterson), and Harry. Mrs. Patterson, the only one surviving, resides in Los Angeles, California.

Ann Eliza married Robert Miller and died, leaving no children.

Ella died at the age of twelve.

Alice was born after the family moved to Illinois. She married Charles Milnes and their children, all living, are William and Elva (Crabtree) both of Maroa, Edward of Decatur, Illinois, and John of Macon, Illinois.

Silas J. was born in the family home near Maroa in 1860. He married Margaret Bolen and they

had two daughters, Edith (Mrs. Chas. Stivers) and Lydia (Mrs. Ray Q. Norris). Mrs. Norris survives and lives in Maroa.

The house which still stands on the Schenck homestead was built in 1869. The farm is owned by R. E. Reeser and wife, the former Maxine Stivers, a great-granddaughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. David Schenck.

Much land was acquired by the Schencks, but "Uncle Dave," as all of his friends called him, resided on his first farm until his death, May 22, 1914. His wife preceded him in death, August 13, 1892.

Thumb Nail

John Schenck, one of the sons of Garrett Schenck, married Eva Herstine (1857-1938) May 21, 1878. They had a family of ten children. George, Fred and Marguerite are deceased. The others are: Alma Zella McGrath, Agnes Slater, Hulda Eseman, Hugh, Harmel, and Ora Breen.



Joseph Bennett was born in Ashland County, Ohio, in 1840. In 1856 he came by wagon to Illinois with a group of forty people. In this group were George Query, David Braden, Solomon Braden, Dan Braden, John Defenbaugh, Joshua Hoff, and Dan Wolf. They settled in Dutch Lane, a community three miles east and three miles north of Maroa, and all remained in the vicinity of Maroa except Dan Wolf, who returned to Ohio. Mr. Bennett married Iva Cross in 1865 and to them eight children were born, five of whom survive. Mr. Bennett died in 1932.

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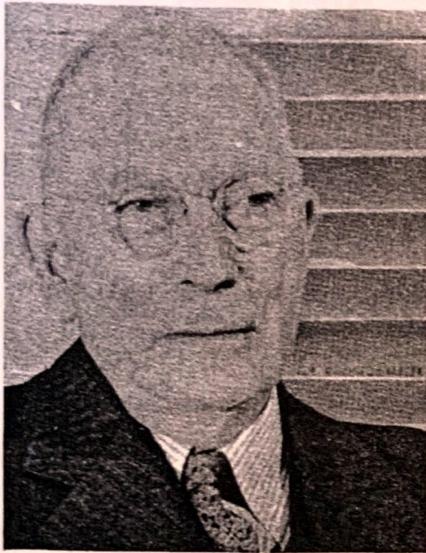
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Robert C. Schenck, son of Wm. S. Schenck, was born in Franklin, Ohio, in 1809. He became a lawyer in Dayton. On September 17, 1859 he introduced Abraham Lincoln on the steps of the old court house in Dayton. In 1862 he was sent to Congress. He became a Major General in the army and was later sent as our minister to England. He died in 1890.

The Schenck family record, though not continuously intact, can be traced back to 878 A. D. in Holland where the first of the name were cupbearers to the king, that being the meaning of the name Schenck. The American ancestor was Roelof Schenck, who came to this country in 1640.

Among the descendants of Gen. Wm. S. Schenck was Aaron D. Schenck (1826-1888). He married Rebecca Barkelow (1827-1904) and they spent all their lives in Ohio except a short time during their later life when they were with a daughter, Ella, in Maroa. They both died in Ohio. To them were born ten children, eight of whom lived to maturity.

Five of them came to Maroa but only three remained here.

Paul F. Schenck of Dayton, Ohio, a grandson of Aaron D. Schenck, is now serving his second term in Congress — a Republican from the State of Ohio. Two descendants of John Noble Cummings Schenck served in the U. S. House of Representatives.

The old home built by John N. C. Schenck still stands by the river in Franklin, Ohio.

The five children of Aaron D. and Rebecca Schenck who came to Maroa were Charles F., Rhoda (McClung), Ella, Anna (Eninger) and Carl D. There were two families of Schencks in Maroa. No relationship was ever established between them but they intermarried.

Chas. F. (1862-1933) was the first of the family to come to Maroa. He came in 1885 and established the Schenck Cigar Co., which is still an active business. A few years later his sister, Rhoda, and her husband, Wm. F. McClung, came and joined Mr. Schenck in the cigar business but they later returned to Ohio. Mr. Schenck's wife was Lillian, a daughter of William H. Stoutenborough.

Ella (1853 - 1937) married Frank, son of Mr. and Mrs. Garrett Schenck. They both worked in the cigar factory.

Anna (1864-1937) married Irvin Eminger. They lived in Maroa for a while, moving later to Mt. Pulaski, Illinois.

Carl D. (1873-1953) married Maymie Wells (1875-1929), September 27, 1894. A daughter, Mary Adelle, died at birth. A son, Earl Wells, born in 1908, lives in Louisville, Kentucky. He and his wife have three children. In 1931 Mr. Schenck married Lois V. Davis and she is now the only resident of Maroa bearing the name of Schenck.

Carl D. Schenck came to Maroa at the age of 13 and started on the road as a cigar salesman five years later for his brother, C. F. Later he was made shop foreman and in 1931, when C. F. retired, he became co-owner of the factory. Carl remained active in business for sixty-one years. At the time of his retirement he was the oldest cigar salesman in the State of Illinois and the oldest man in business in Maroa. In

1952 he sold his interest in the factory and retired.

The Schenck Cigar Co. was organized in August, 1885. It later became a corporation and at one time supported thirty families in Maroa. The manufacture of cigars ceased in 1924 but wholesale business has continued without interruption since that time, a continuous business for almost seventy years in Maroa.

Cooper Family

Captain James W. Cooper was born in New Jersey about 1751. During the battle of Novesink, he fought on the Highlands in mid-winter of 1777. James W. Cooper distinguished himself by his brave and heroic deeds.

His descendants lived in the east until his grandson, Joseph Cooper and his bride, Eliza Catherine Miller came west. They settled in the community of Maroa. Here a son, George Cooper, was born in 1857 and he died in 1942. He married Mary E. Longstreet. She died in 1932. To this union six children were born: Notie (Groves), Irma (Dunbar), Kate (Reiter), Vashti (Sprecklemyer), Laura (Walgren), and Schuyler.

Notie Cooper was born August 7, 1882. She married George B. Groves, born October 30, 1878 and died in 1916. To this union three children were born: Velma, who married Thelma Walker. They have two sons, Jack and Jerry. Jack married Jacqueline Granert and they have three children: Timmy, Genan and Robert; Helen, who married Robert D. Bolen. They have one daughter, Nancy, who is married to Roger A. James; Maxine married Rolland Lyons and they have one son, Charles Rolland Lyons, Jr.

Peleg Kent was one of our early settlers. He was elected one of the Ruling Elders of the Presbyterian Church in April, 1860. His son, Ely P. Kent, came to Maroa from New York in 1866. In 1879 the firm of E. P. Kent & Son was formed and they began the business of blacksmithing. Subsequently a wagon shop, planing mill and plow works were added. The Kents built the building where John Ward has his garage.

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John Longstreet was of Scotch-Irish ancestry. His grandfather settled in New Jersey. Aaron Longstreet, John's father, was born there. The family moved to Ohio. John Longstreet was born in Butler County, Ohio on September 2, 1832. He married Vashti Wycoff and came to Maroa in the spring of 1862. They purchased farm land. He built a home in the east part of town in 1886.



John Longstreet was born in Butler Co., Ohio in 1832. He was a farmer there and continued farming when he came to Illinois in 1862. While still in Ohio he married Vashti Wycoff. They had seven children. Mr. Longstreet acted as Supervisor in 1876. For many years he was on the School Board. He died in 1923.

Mr. Longstreet served five consecutive terms as Maroa Supervisor, two terms as Highway Commissioner, 20 years on the school board and was a member of the City Council for a number of years. He helped organize the Citizens Bank of Maroa and later became a stockholder in the First National Bank of Maroa, when that institution succeeded the Citizens Bank. He was prominently identified with the social and business life of the community until his death on October 28, 1923.

His children were Mary E. Cooper, Clara Parker and Vern Longstreet. The descendants still living in this community are: Notie Groves, daughter of Mary E. Cooper, her son, Velma Groves; his two sons, Jack, his three children, Timmy, Genan and Robert and Jerry, her daugh-

ter, Helen Bolen and her daughter, Nancy Bolen James; Vashti Sprecklemeyer, daughter of Mary E. Cooper, her son, John Sprecklemeyer and his two daughters, Cheryl and Susanne Sprecklemeyer; Bonnie Hoffman, granddaughter of Mary E. Cooper and her four sons, Adlai, Leonard, Steven and Richard Hoffman; John L. Parker, son of Clara Parker; Fredonna Lazell, granddaughter of Clara Parker and her two sons Melbourne, Jr. and Richard Lazell; Clara Marie Rodgers, granddaughter of Clara Parker and her three children, Loretta, Lynn and Lloyd Rodgers.

George Bright Short

George B. Short was born in St. Clair County, Illinois, August 12, 1826. His father, William B. was the son of Moses Short, who came from Kentucky to Illinois in 1790.

Moses was a great Indian fighter and while a Captain in the United States Rangers, was shot but the bullet lodged in a twist of tobacco in his breast pocket. This saved his life. In St. Clair County, he was known as "The Great Hunter" and when killed by an Indian, he was buried on the spot by his comrades. They buried him standing up with his gun in his arms.

When twenty years old, George B. Short was a soldier in the Mexican War. He drove a provision wagon and, while it was against army regulations to let anyone ride with him, he said he could never refuse a lift to a sick or wounded soldier as he drove

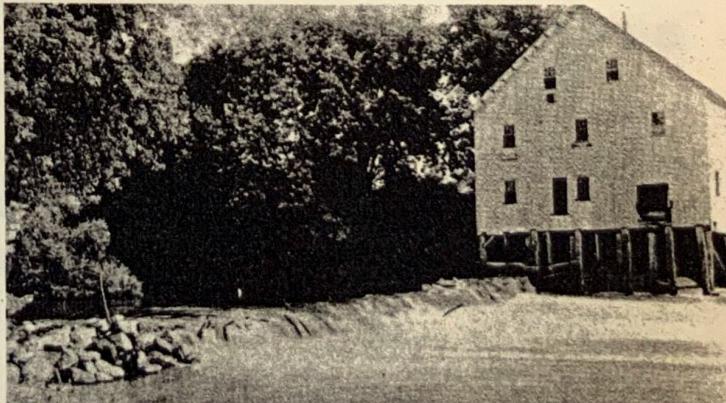
the empty wagon from the front, back to the supply depot.

In the spring of 1853, Mr. Short and four others drove teams of oxen to California. It took five months to reach their destination. In California he farmed during the summer and mined in the winter until 1855 when he returned to St. Clair County by way of the Isthmus of Panama and New York City.

Upon returning from the west, Mr. Short married Sara Elizabeth Thrift in 1855. To them were born six children: Isalina, James Monroe, Lottie, Elizabeth, Henrietta and Goldella. In 1863 the family moved to Maroa Township by wagon train and located on a farm near Emery where Mr. Short resided until his death in 1916 and which is now the home of his grandson, Ralph Reynolds.

Mr. Short was a great story teller and delighted in relating the adventures of himself and his forebears to all who would listen. From the History of Macon County we note that he was "Free hearted, open and frank, social and hospitable, both at home and abroad—honest himself and expecting honesty in others, he is a fair type of the men who came to Illinois and gave it the start which has helped to make it the foremost of the Union."

Grandchildren of George B. and Sara Elizabeth (Thrift) Short are Ralph Reynolds, Maroa, Illinois, and Virginia Reynolds Jones, Argenta, Illinois, children of Henrietta Short Reynolds; Ruth Stein Glosser, Maroa, Illinois, and Elizabeth Stein Heinz, Argenta, Illinois, daughters of Goldella Short Stein.



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1873—1928

LELAH G. CRAIG FOULKE

1880—1928

I. G. LINVILLE

1866—1938

JOHN L. STOUTENBOROUGH

1856—1942

LUELLA MILLER STOUTENBOROUGH

1859—1926

GEORGE CONOVER

1855—1937

CHRISTINA SANDERSON CONOVER

1864—1925

ROBERT E. MILLER

1854—1944

ANN ELIZA SCHENCK MILLER

1851—1933

FRED M. GRADY

Feb. 8, 1886—June 9, 1953

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Mayor 1937-1941

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Died May 8, 1924

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David Barclay Sr.

David Barclay was born in Scotland, May 13, 1820. He married Helen Lowe, also a native of Scotland. To this union one child, David, was born in Ireland. After the death of his first wife, he married Mary Grogan, also from Scotland, and a daughter, Margaret, was born to them. She later became the wife of Travis Redmon.

Mr. Barclay was a Land Steward of Lord Clermont, and was interested in farming. About 1860 a friend made a trip to the United States and on his return to Scotland wrote a book in the interest of the Illinois Central Railroad Co., with the title "Prairie Farmers," setting forth the great inducements for young men in this country. Mr. Barclay read this book and came to the United States in 1861, stopping first in Springfield, Illinois, and thence to Decatur, Illinois, looking over this territory. He finally bought 80 acres in Texas Township, DeWitt County. His love and care of the land led him to accumulate quite a few acres before his death.

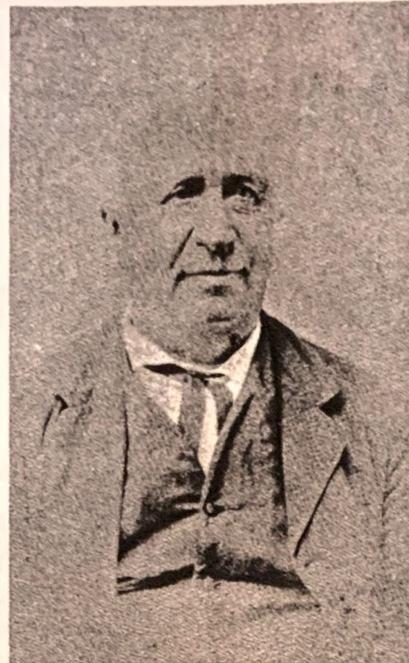
While still in Scotland, Mr. Barclay joined the Masonic Lodge and was Master of his Lodge. He did not move his membership to this country but at his death, the Masonic Order attended in a body. He was buried in the Texas Cemetery.

Mr. Barclay united with the Episcopal Church in Scotland, several of his ancestors being ministers of his faith.

David Barclay, Jr., the first child, married Mary Miller in 1889. To this union two daughters, Martha and Helen, were born. Mr. Barclay died in 1891.

Martha married Arthur C. Ammann. Two children were born to them: John Barclay and Mary Katherine. John married Rachael Bowden in 1935 and they have two children: Sandra Kay and Arthur David. Mary Katherine married Robert Linn in 1938. They have three children: David Barclay, Robert Bruce and Martha Amelia.

Helen was married to George H. Waller in 1913 and to this union two boys were born: James Bruce and George H., Jr. James married Esther Behnke in 1939. They have three daughters: Helen Kathleen, Patricia Ann, and Cynthia Leigh. George H.,



Jr., was married in 1944 to Mary McKey and their children are Susan McKey and David Barclay.

Margaret, the second child of David Barclay, Sr., was married to Travis Redmon and to this union five children, David, Philip, Mary, Travis, Jr., and Margaret, were born.

David married Bessie Pettyjohn and they have three children: Lucile (Miller), Dale and David, Jr. Seven grandchildren are: Wanda, Moye, Marilynn, Jiles, Carl and Lynda Miller, and Edwin Redman. There are three great-grandchildren.

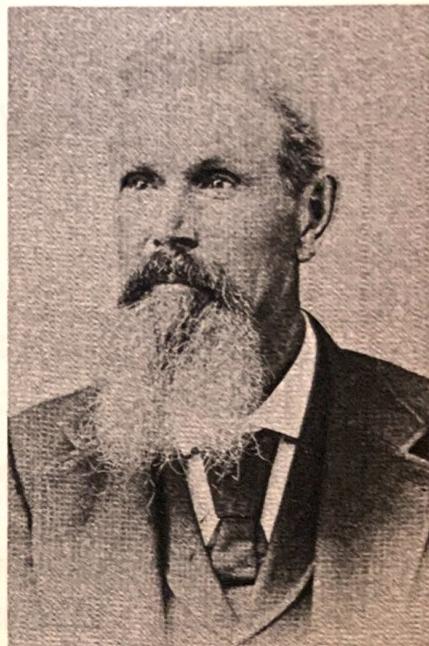
Philip married Marge Storm and their daughter is Patricia (Harris). She has three children: Ronnay, Jeffrey and Kimberly.

Mary married Ronald R. Lyons. Four children were born to them: Eugene, Ruth (Maybee), Virginia (Stout), and Jane (Hedgepeth). There are nine grandchildren: Mary Martha Lyons, Elizabeth Ann (Porter), Ronald, Franklin and Kristina Stout, Thomas Earl, Donna Jane, Junior and Lynn Dee Hedgepeth. Stephen Reppe is a great-grandchild.

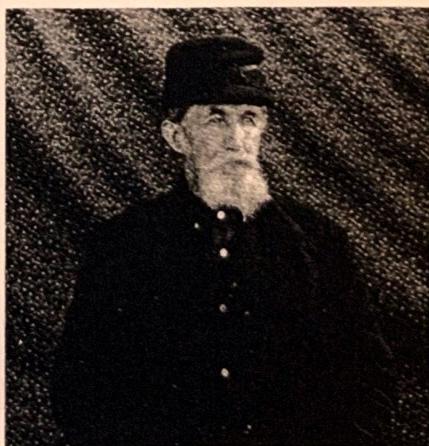
Travis, Jr. married Bertha Hartzell and they have five children: Travis, Mary Elizabeth (Harris), Thelma (DeVaney), Joan (Sheuy) and Dorothy (Lamun). There are nine grandchildren.

Margaret married Elwood McGuire. Their three children are Dorothy (Braden), Anna Lou (Hensey), and Charles Robert.

Seven grandchildren are: Paul Stephen and Ronald David Braden, Frederic and Cynda Hensey, Charles Thomas, Ann Lynn and Richard Lee McGuire.



David Joel Moyer (1832-1909) was born in Preble County, Ohio. He came to Maroa in 1857 with Nelson Long and farmed west of town. In 1859 he married Mary Hilt. To them were born five daughters and one son: Clara, Anna, Ida (Adams) Drusilla (La Mon), Blanche (Dinwiddie) and Roy. In 1874 Mr. Moyer retired and moved to town in order to send his children to school here.



Mark Tozer was born in New Hampshire in 1836 and was among the early 1857 settlers, of Maroa. He was a brother of Dr. Luke Tozer who practiced here in the early days. He was a farmer and a prominent stock buyer. His wife was Sophronia Covey of Pike Co., Ill. and they were the parents of thirteen children, two of whom survive. Mr. Tozer died in 1909.

the 1970s, the number of people in the U.S. who were obese increased from 15% to 35%. In 2010, the prevalence of obesity was 35.7% among adults aged 20 years or older. The prevalence of obesity has been increasing in all racial and ethnic groups, but the increase has been more rapid among non-Hispanic black adults than among white adults. The prevalence of obesity is higher among men than women.

Obesity is associated with a variety of diseases and conditions, including heart disease, stroke, type 2 diabetes, hypertension, and certain types of cancer. It is also associated with a higher risk of death from all causes.

Obesity is a complex condition that results from a combination of genetic, environmental, behavioral, and social factors. It is important to understand the underlying causes of obesity to develop effective prevention and treatment strategies.

Genetics play a role in obesity, but environmental factors such as diet, exercise, and stress also contribute to weight gain.

Dietary habits, particularly those high in refined carbohydrates and low in fiber, have been linked to weight gain. Exercise, on the other hand, can help burn calories and reduce the risk of obesity. Stress can also contribute to weight gain by increasing levels of cortisol, a hormone that stimulates appetite and promotes fat storage.

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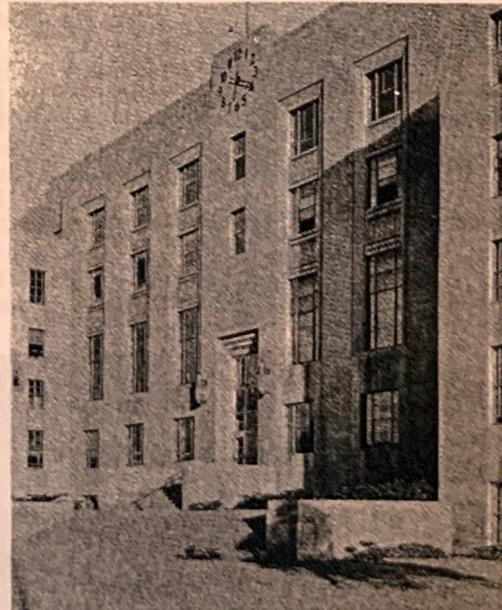
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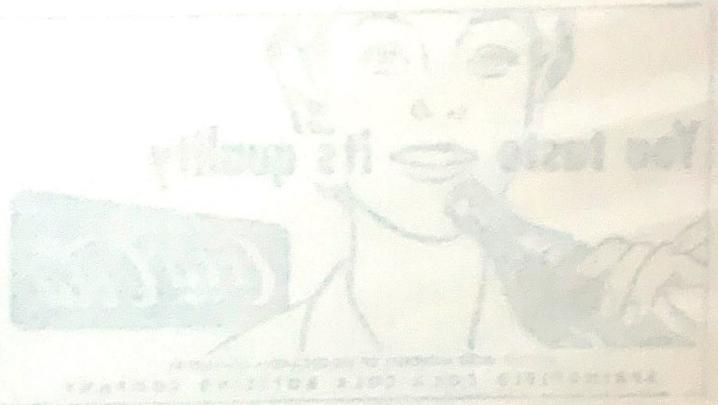
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Cornwell

William M. Cornwell was born March 24, 1834, in Linden, Warren County, Virginia, to parents of direct English descent. In his early manhood he moved to Maroa, Illinois, where he was married to Martha M. Nicols in 1870. She was born January 30, 1843, in Frederick County, Maryland. Mr. Cornwell was a carpenter and cabinet maker by trade, and helped erect some of the buildings still standing in Maroa.

Mrs. Cornwell passed away at her father's home in Sherman City, Kansas, April 20, 1877, where she had gone for her health. Her husband died in Maroa, February 25, 1886.

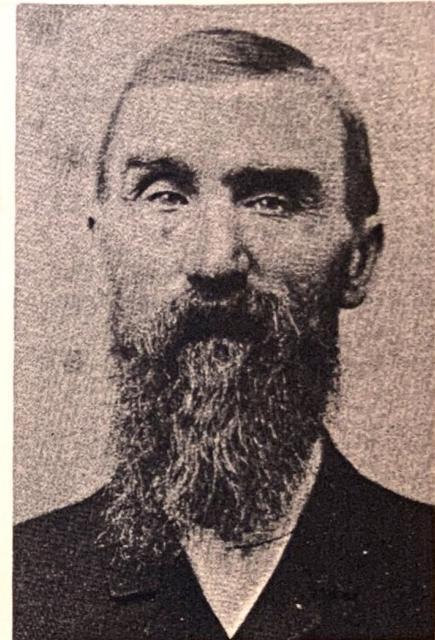
They were the parents of two children: John Benjamin (Ben), born in Clinton, October 6, 1873, and Grace, born in Maroa, August 15, 1875.

On April 23, 1902, Ben married Corda Elam, daughter of Martin Van Buren and Sarah (McAdams) Elam of near Vandalia, Illinois. Mr. and Mrs. Ben Cornwell farmed near Maroa until his death January 12, 1930. Mrs. Cornwell is living in Maroa.

They had two children: Guy, born March 6, 1903, and Grace, born August 13, 1905. Guy is Unit Superintendent of Christian County Schools and resides in Taylorville, Illinois. He married Gladys M. Gates of Alton, April 9, 1927, and they have one daughter, Jean, born in Taylorville, July 21, 1928. She is Mrs. Jack E. Parker of Champaign. His parents are Velma and Bertha (Gardner) Parker of Decatur.

Grace was married to Virgil Lemuel Wikoff, son of Richard Bernard and Nellie (Hutchinson) Wikoff, June 3, 1925. They lived in Decatur until January of 1930, when they moved to a farm southwest of Maroa, where they now live.

Their son, Virgil Cornwell Wikoff, was born February 6, 1927, in Decatur, Illinois. He enlisted in the Navy in January, 1945, and served for eighteen months. He was recalled to duty with the reserves in July, 1951, and served until October of 1952 when he was again released to inactive duty. He is a graduate of the University of Illinois, with a B.S. degree in Fine and Applied Arts.



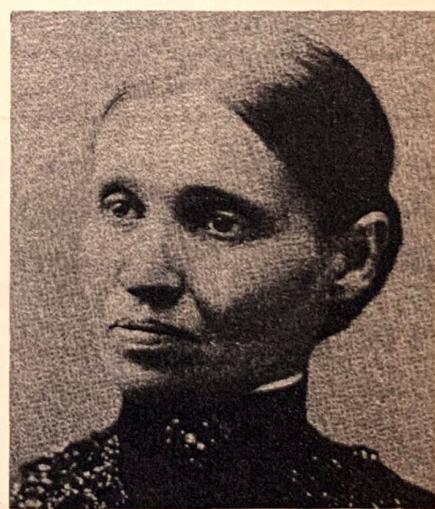
Virgil was married August 23, 1947, to Ruth Helen Moore, daughter of Edwin J. and Ruth (Davis) Moore of Maroa. She was born November 26, 1928, in Decatur, Illinois.

They have two daughters: Terrell Joanne, born in Clinton, Illinois, October 1, 1950, and Patricia Suzanne, born in Clinton, April 11, 1952.

Virgil and his family live in Champaign where he is an architect and contractor.

William Cornwell's daughter Grace was married to D. Elmer Denise of Maroa. They were the parents of six children: Chester and Harold, now deceased, Garet Robert of Maywood, Illinois, Mrs. Cornise Detjen of Berwick, Pennsylvania of Joliet, Illinois.

Grace Cornwell Denise died in Berwick, Pennsylvania, January 18, 1949.



Families of James and Anna Pulliam, George and Augusta Miller, Douglas and Anna Miller.

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His father, a stonemason, and the three youngest children, two boys (George and John) and one girl (Emily) left England in 1847 after the death of their wife and mother. The oldest brothers and sisters being married decided to remain in England.

They were three months crossing the ocean, landing in New York Harbor in late summer. They remained in New York only a short time, moving to Scott County, Jacksonville, Illinois.

The father worked as a stonemason in building a new stone jail there. It was a family joke that George, who was 8 years of age and the youngest of the children brought from England, was the first person to be locked in the new jail. His father would lock him up to keep track of him while he was at work.

George's father died one year after moving to Jacksonville, Illinois, leaving George in a strange land among strange people. A good family took him. He worked for his clothing and his board. He attended school a few weeks in the winter.

In the year 1856 he came to Maroa, Illinois, then just a railroad station with a few houses. Here he worked at anything he

could find to do, until he saved enough money to purchase a yoke of oxen and a plow. With these he broke out the prairie, receiving so much per acre for the work. At night he would unyoke the oxen, and let them run on the prairie for their living. He accumulated enough money to buy 80 acres of land 2 miles west and three-fourths mile south of Maroa, Illinois.

On March 2, 1869 he was married to Elizabeth Rachel Nice at Delphi, Indiana. Returning to Maroa they went to housekeeping on the farm he had purchased. Two children were born to them. The first was Aura Belle, born June 28, 1870, now deceased. Next was William Oscar Otto, born November 19, 1871, now living in Maroa.

In 1872 he sold this farm and bought 160 acres 2 miles south and 4½ miles east of Maroa. In January, 1873, he completed a new house on this farm and moved into it. This house is still standing and is occupied by his grandson, Velma W. Groves, and family.

Four more children were born at this location, Charles Henry, April 9, 1873, now living at Beaumont, Texas; George Bertie, October 30, 1878, now deceased; Nellie May, December 14, 1880, now deceased; Harley Oren, December 10, 1885, now living in Maroa.

In the winter of 1887 he united with the Methodist Church, then holding revival meetings in the Prairie Chapel School house. In 1891 Epworth Chapel Church was built, and he became one of the Charter members and trustee, which office he held until his death. He saw the country around Maroa grow from a vast prairie land to a thickly settled farming community.

In the early part of February, 1912, he contracted a cold, which developed into pneumonia and the 25th of February passed away. The funeral was held at Epworth Chapel which he helped build, with burial in Maroa cemetery.

William O. Groves and Harley O. Groves are the only children living in Maroa. A number of grandchildren, great-grandchildren and great-great-grandchildren live in the Maroa community.

Benjamin Franklin Caplinger was a farmer until 1907, when he purchased the furniture and undertaking business located where Hippard's Dry Goods store has been for many years. James M. Rammel was his embalmer until 1909 when Mr. Caplinger became a licensed embalmer himself. He conducted this business until 1915 when he sold to B. F. Conner of Argenta and went into the implement business with C. Y. Miller and then back to farming.

In 1920 Mr. Caplinger returned to undertaking and gave to Maroa its first residence Funeral Home, located one block south of Main Street on Wood Street. This was known as The Caplinger Funeral Home. Mrs. Caplinger was Lady Assistant for a number of years, giving her time and talent as a singer for hundreds of funerals.

This home was remodeled and equipped to conform to every need; nicely furnished and decorated, it made a Funeral Home that Maroa was justly proud of, always having the best in equipment and giving the best in service.

About 1932, his eldest son, Leonard, went into the business with his father as an embalmer and funeral director. In 1939 Mr. Caplinger retired from active participation in the business and Leonard continued as manager until he sold to Leo Ruble in 1951.

W. O. Shaw

J. W. B. Shaw and Mary Bowley Shaw were married in Milford, Ohio, January 9, 1862. They immediately moved to Tunbridge Township, DeWitt County, Illinois, where they lived for one year.

They purchased 160 acres of land 5½ miles west of Maroa for thirty-three and a third dollars (\$33.33) an acre and moved in the house which today still stands on this land.

Here five sons were born: Henry, who died at birth; Charlie, who lived 8 years; David, who lived until past 80 years; William, who was born February 1, 1868 and is now 86 years of age; Ryland, who lived 77 years, and Amos, the youngest, who died at 8 years.

About 1878 J. W. B. Shaw had
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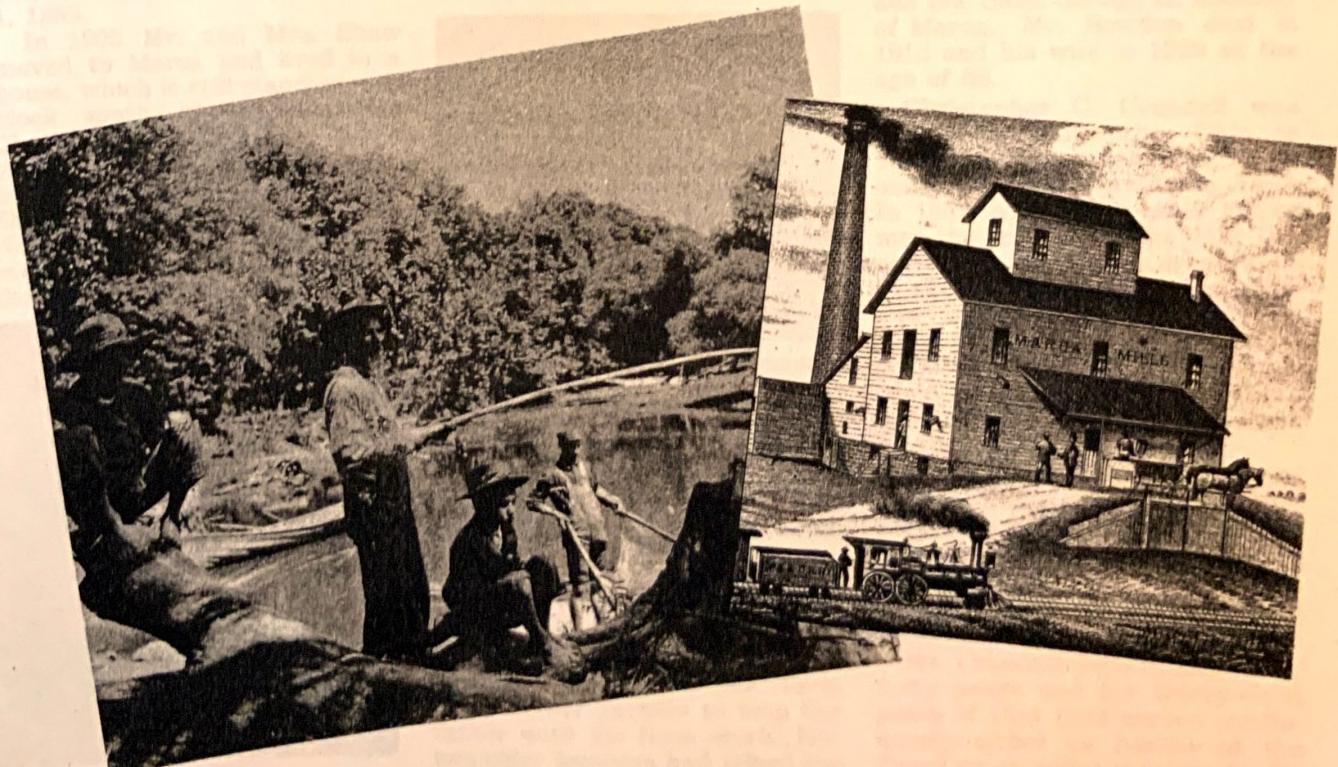
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accumulated enough money to pay for 40 acres of land across the road. This cost sixteen hundred dollars (\$1600) and was paid for in gold. The gold was kept in the basement of the house as it was believed that banks were too new to be trusted. W. O. Shaw remembers helping his father count the gold.

Later J. W. B. Shaw purchased 160 acres which joined the home place on the west and paid fifty dollars (\$50.00) an acre. In those days oats, corn and hay were the main crops. Several years later J. W. B. Shaw bought 80 acres adjoining for fifty-five dollars (\$55.00) an acre and 120 acres for forty-seven dollars and fifty cents (\$47.50) an acre.

William Shaw received his education at the Mud Chapel country school. All the other education he had, has been acquired by reading, travel and experiences of life.

On December 22, 1889, William Shaw married Alice Adams and moved to a house on 80 acres belonging to his father, J. W. B. Shaw. The house was located west of the home place and they lived there for 16 years. Two children were born there, Hazel, on January 5, 1891, and Cecel, April 1, 1893.

In 1905 Mr. and Mrs. Shaw moved to Maroa and lived in a house, which is still standing, one block south of the Christian Church. They lived there for 4 years. Glenn, the only son, was born there June 12, 1907. Mr. Shaw purchased a lot from the Norris farm on the Bloomington road, built a house and moved there in 1909.



W. O. and Alice Adams Shaw

Here on June 25, 1914, Alice Shaw, wife of W. O. Shaw died. One daughter, Hazel, died February 5, 1915 in Sierra Madre, California.

On November 6, 1916, W. O. Shaw married Eva Adams and drove to St. Petersburg, Florida. Since that time they have spent their winters in Florida and the summers on the farm west of Maroa where the son, Glenn and his father have been farming since 1926.

W. O. Shaw now has two grandchildren, Dr. C. K. Donegan, St. Petersburg, Florida and Mildred (Mrs. Douglas Cole) of Largo, Florida, and six great-grandchildren, Anna, Martha and Tommy Donegan, and Colleen, Craig and Karen Cole.

WASHINGTON CRANDALL

Washington Crandall was born of Scottish parents in Circleville, Ohio, in 1814. He came to Illinois in 1852 and settled near Maroa. He was a United Brethren minister serving the Shiloh and Cumberland churches until he moved to Maroa at the age of 66. He was the father of Susan (Bowden) and Christopher C. Crandall. Mr. Crandall died in 1888, having been preceded in death by his wife in 1885.



Mr. and Mrs. Washington Crandall

Susann Crandall came with her parents from Ohio at the age of thirteen and lived with them on a farm five and one-half miles east of Maroa. Four years later she came to Maroa to make her home at the I. C. station with the Crocker family. There were at that time only four residences in Maroa.

When the Civil War broke out, Susann returned to the farm home of her parents to help her father with his farm work. Her two elder brothers had joined the Union Army and a third brother

was in Medical College preparing to become a physician. At that time mail was received from Monticello and Susann took her turn posting and bringing the mail.

After the war she came back to Maroa and remained with the Crocker family until her marriage to Elias P. Bowden in 1865. Mr. Bowden started to work in the Crocker grain elevator in 1867, before the plant was completed. In a year or two he became foreman, following W. J. Compton, and remained in that capacity until the elevator was torn down to be replaced by a larger and more modern structure in 1911.



Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Bowden

Mr. and Mrs. Bowden were the parents of nine children, three of whom survive: B. L. Bowden of Dubuque, Iowa, and Arthur V. and Iva (Mrs. George H. Malone) of Maroa. Mr. Bowden died in 1912 and his wife in 1920 at the age of 80.

Christopher C. Crandall was born near Chillicothe, Ohio, in 1841 and came to the Maroa vicinity with his parents in 1852. In 1861, with many other young men, he enlisted in the 41st Illinois Volunteers in Co. A and went to the front. He was taken prisoner in 1863 but never interned in a prison, being moved from place to place with the enemy's camp and finally exchanged. He was mustered out at Springfield in August, 1864.

In 1878 Mr. Crandall married Martha Daves of near Cisco and they went to housekeeping in the northeast part of Maroa where they lived the rest of their lives. They had two sons, Claude and Paul, who now live in California.

Mr. Crandall lived in Maroa for forty years and for thirty-eight years of that time served continuously either as Justice of the Peace or as police magistrate. He died in 1914.

Thumb Nail

Aquilla Bennett was one of the earliest settlers in this community. He was born in Richmond County, Ohio in 1831. He married Sarah Ann Hassinger and came to Illinois in 1854, locating on a farm in Creek Township, northeast of Maroa. They were the parents of eighteen children, one of whom married Titus Query. Mr. Bennett lived to be 85 years old.

William T. Lyons was born in Coshocton County, Ohio in 1847. At the age of 16 he came with his parents to Maroa Township where he spent the rest of his life. He married Sarah Baird, a daughter of Peter Baird, and to them three daughters were born: Amy, Nelle, and Edna (Jones). Mr. Lyons died in 1916.

John Dash was born in Gibson City, Indiana, in 1860 and came to Maroa at the age of sixteen. He was married in 1884 to Ida Kinnaman and ten children were born to them, seven of whom survive: Sue (Rolofson), Orville, Kate (Brockman), Earl, John, Otto, and Glenn. Mr. Dash was employed at the water-works when the boilers were hand fired. He died in 1940.

David Weilepp was one of Maroa's well known business men during the early years of the century. He came to the township in 1890 to farm and moved to Maroa in 1901. He bought the J. M. Persinger Hardware store and conducted that business until shortly before his death in 1922. Mr. Weilepp's wife was Ida Moon. One son, Harry, died in France while in service in World War I. Another son, Hugh, resides in California.

Levi Allsbury was born in Cabell County, West Virginia in 1823. His parents came to Sangamon County in 1825 and lived in a log cabin in the present heart of Springfield. The father sold his ten acres of land for \$150 and took in payment a yoke of oxen, a cow and a pony. In 1864 Mr. Allsbury moved to a farm five miles west of Maroa and in 1885 moved in to town. His wife was Mary Hodgerson. Henry, Mary, Rebecca and Alice were their children. He died in 1916.

Mr. and Mrs. Pius Huff were both natives of Pennsylvania and came to Maroa in 1881. They had three daughters: Leilah (Morris), Oma (Wikoff), and Marguerite (Parker). Mr. Huff was a brick mason. He died in 1905 at the age of fifty-two. Mrs. Huff was Mollie Wilt before her marriage. She died in California in 1929.

Felix Clark was born in Piqua County, Ohio, in 1852. He came to Maroa at the age of twelve and spent the rest of his life in or near Maroa. In 1880 he married Emmazetta Smith and six children were born to them: Maude (Nesbitt), Cora, Rose, Grace, Charles and Oscar.

Snowden L. and Phebe Jane (Smith) Ferree were early residents of Maroa, having come from Ohio to Kenney and on to Maroa. Their children were Bertha (Braden), John L., Nettie (Potter), Francis Lee, Allie (Leach) and Harry V. There are fourteen grandchildren, and seventeen great-grandchildren. Mr. Ferree died in 1892 and his wife in 1939.

Miner R. Allsup was born in DeWitt County, Illinois in 1861. He spent most of his life in Maroa. He was a farmer and grain dealer and owned one of the largest grain elevators in Central Illinois at the time of his death in 1919. He was vice-president of the Citizens' Bank.

Warner O. Allsup (1858-1930), a brother of Miner, was born in Texas Township. He also was a farmer but retired and moved to Maroa in 1898. He married Belle Davis and the following children were born to them: Tufolia (Butler), Fred, Orville, Zelva (Caplinger), and Fern (Smart).

Christian Trummel (1844-1914) was a native of the Province of Nassau, Germany. His parents brought the family to Illinois in 1865. They first settled near Peru and later moved to a farm northeast of Maroa. Mr. Trummel married Rosina Ehling, a native of Saxony, Germany, in 1870. To this union seven children were born: Emma (Groves), Lewis, Etta (Myers), Minnie (Thomas), Bertha (Marsh), Anna (Rainey), and Christian E.

Thomas N. Leavitt (1838-1919) was born at Hampton Falls, New Hampshire. He moved to Peoria County, Illinois, in 1844 and to Maroa in 1861. His wife was Catherine Crowell. He was a grocer for awhile and then went into the implement business. In 1862 he enlisted in the army and was in the Atlanta campaign, accompanying General Sherman on his march to the sea. Mr. and Mrs. Leavitt had one daughter, Clara.

John M. Persinger (1837-1900) was born in Shelby County, Ohio. He came to Maroa in 1867 and married Sarah Beck. They had one son, Rolland. Mr. Persinger was a hardware and implement dealer.

Amos Dill came to Maroa from Butler County, Ohio, in 1855 at the age of 19. He came with his brother, Isaac, and made his home with him for several years on a farm west of town. In 1860, Amos married Mary Ann Cox and they lived southwest of town until they moved to town in 1908. Mr. Dill died a few months later. The Dills had four little children, all of whom died in an epidemic. Later another daughter, Ollie, was born to them. She married Walker Smith and spent her entire life in this community.

James H. Parker came to DeWitt County in 1853 with his parents and Mr. and Mrs. Garret Stoutenborough. They built a small house on a farm in the Kenney neighborhood and lived together for five years. Mr. Parker married Emma Shaw in 1871. They moved to Maroa in 1887. After Mrs. Parker's death, he married Lula Ferrill and to them were born two children. Mr. Parker died in 1924 at the age of 78.

John P. Parker (1853-1923), a brother of James H., came to Maroa as a farmer and stock dealer. He opened the first garage in Maroa and with his son, James, had the Haynes Auto Agency.

James M. Biddle was born in Kentucky in 1847. He came to Illinois as a farmer in 1863 and moved to Maroa in 1883. For many years he was Maroa's City Marshal, a popular and capable man. He died in 1931.

Braden Family

Samuel G. Braden was born January 27, 1846. When he was nine years old he came to Illinois from ten miles east of Mansfield, Ohio. There were fifteen covered wagons in the party. Their first stop was four miles west and one mile north of Maroa, where they stayed with some friends a few days and rested. The family then moved one and one-half miles west of Lane, where they lived for two years. Then they moved to a farm four miles west of Maroa, where Sam G. Braden lived until grown.

In 1865 he was married to Emma V. Rouse. She died in 1873. To this union two sons were born: Frank and Derrick (Derry). After the marriage the family lived on a farm northeast of Maroa for one year. Then they moved to the Peter Ford farm, where they lived for one year and then moved 3 miles west and one mile south of Maroa where they lived for two years. Then he bought the farm three miles west and three and one-fourth miles south of Maroa, where Mr. Braden lived until he moved to Maroa in 1900. On January 29, 1874, Mr. Braden married Annie Armstrong and to this union three children were born: Walter, Cornie and Myrtle. Samuel G. Braden passed away July 9, 1935 at the age of 89 years. Mrs. Braden passed away August 21, 1942 at the age of 88 years. The family has always lived in the Maroa vicinity.

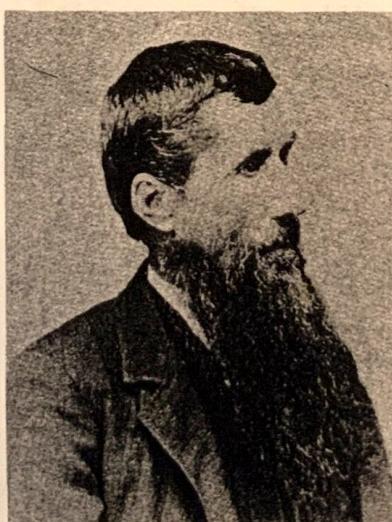
Frank Braden was born March 28, 1867 and now lives in Decatur, Illinois. He married Mary Fort and they had six children: Sam G. lives in Clinton, Illinois, and he has one daughter, Montizelle, who is married to Warren Karr; George has one daughter, Berna Batchelder and she has two children, David and Michael; Arthur has four children, Leonard, who has one daughter, Doreeta; William, who has a daughter, Suzie; Norma (Hockaday), who has a son, Richard and a daughter, Nancy Ann; and Mary Lou; Newell, who has no children; Dollie, who is married to Otis Reed and lives in Maroa, has one son, Robert, who lives in California, and Carl, who has no children. Unless otherwise

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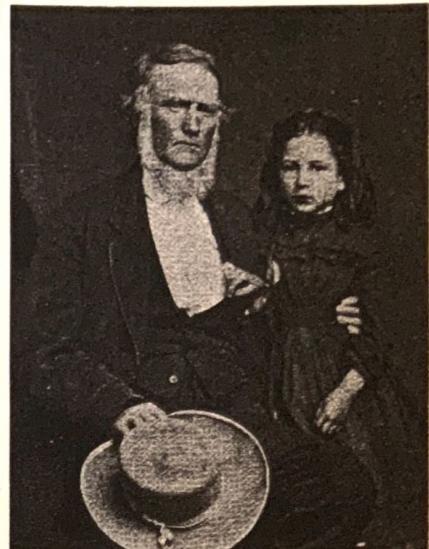
Derry was first married to Dora Garriott and to this union one son, Ernest was born. He married Martha McCleary. Later Derry married Bertha Ferree and they had six children: Mae, married to Caroll Schroeder and they live in Franklin Park, Illinois. They had four children: Richard, who has four children: Dixie, Kathy, Janet and Charles; William; Jane (Blanchard) who has a son Michell and a daughter, Jean; Mary. Edwin married Pearl Meador and they have two children, daughter, Ruth Ann, and son, Robert. Russell, who is married to Grace Cooper. They have one daughter, Charlotte, who is married to James Parker. Paul, who is married to Dorothy McGuire, and they have two sons, Stephen and Ronald. Pauline married to Russell Hawks and they live in Peoria, Illinois and have two children, Margaret and Russell. Dorothy is married to Lyle Cisco and lives in Wapella.

Cornie married Lida Delaney and they have two sons, Harold, who married Dorothy Eaton and lives in Decatur, Illinois, and Raymond, who married Edith Munro and has one daughter, Mary. They live in Idaho.

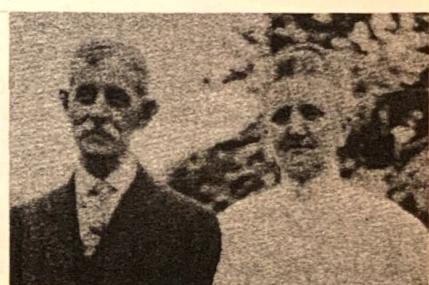
Walter and Myrtle have no families and reside in Maroa, Illinois.



Frederick W. Miller was born in Germany in 1832. He came to America and settled in Indiana in 1842. After serving in the State Militia from 1861-1865 he came to Maroa Twp. where he was a farmer. Lucy, Frank, and Charles were his children.



Andrew J. Thrift was born in Hopkinsville, Kentucky in 1815. The family moved to St. Clair Co., Ill. in 1831. Mr. Thrift was married twice and had a large family. They moved to Maroa Twp. in 1864 and lived on a farm by his daughter, Mrs. George B. Short. Mr. Thrift was a farmer, stock raiser, feeder and shipper. He died in 1888.



James H. Sterling was born in Steubenville, Ohio in 1852, and he came to Maroa in 1879. His wife was Emma Seybold and their children were Martha (Barracks), Louis, Ernest and Donald. Mr. Sterling was an expert jeweler by trade and was in that business here for forty years. He died in 1919.



Joseph R. Grady was born in Huntingdon Co., Pennsylvania, in 1822. He came to Illinois in 1856 with his brother, John. The following year he married Isabel Jane McCartney of Penn., and they located on a farm in Texas Twp., DeWitt Co., moving to Maroa about forty years later. Their children were Hiram, Tryphena, Ida, Generva, Lewis, Samuel and Emma. Generva (Shoemaker) survives at the age of eighty-five.

Biología

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Some of the Oldest Married Couples



Chris and Bertha Friis were married December 28, 1898 and have lived in the same house ever since. He has lived in it for 66 years. They have 2 children, 5 grandchildren and 6 great grandchildren.



Mr. and Mrs. Velma Davis have been married 49 years. Mr. Davis was born on a farm near Maroa. Mrs. Davis was born on a farm Southwest of Maroa. She lived in Nebraska for 2 years and outside of that time has resided in the vicinity of Maroa. They are the couple who have been married the longest who are native born. They have 2 children, 2 granddaughters and 4 great granddaughters.



Mr. and Mrs. Louis E. Rogers have been married 62 years. He was born in Bearsdale and she Northeast of Latham, Ill.

Mr. and Mrs. Ord Fort were both born in Ohio and have been married 61 years, and have lived in present house 33 years.

Mr. and Mrs. George Mikesell were born in Indiana and will be married 57 years Oct. 9, 1954.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles McGuire have been married 59 years Oct. 27, 1954. He was born in Maroa Township and she in Shelby County.

Mr. and Mrs. Chris Friis have been married 55 years. She was born in Maroa Township and he in Decatur. He has lived in same house 66 years.

Mr. and Mrs. Silas E. Garren have been married 50 years August 10, 1954. He was born in the southern part of Illinois on June 26, 1876. She was Nettie Correll and was born in Jefferson County, Illinois, April 4, 1888. They have 7 children, 14 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren. They resided in Maroa for 39 years.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Luckenbill have been married 51 years. He was born in Shelby County and she in Kansas.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Malone have been married for 51 years. He was born near Emery and she in Prairie County, Illinois.

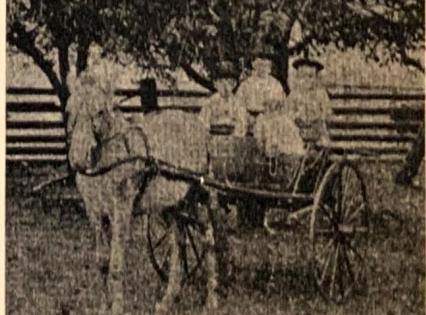
Mr. and Mrs. Tom Lancaster have been married for 49 years. He was born in Marion County and she 4 miles east of Maroa. He has lived in the district for 70 years.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Huston have been married 54 years. He was born in Cumberland County and she in Marion County. Mr. Huston has lived here 60 years.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Milnes have been married 49 years. She was born in the Centennial District but he was born in DeWitt County.

Mr. and Mrs. Corney Braden have been married 54 years. He was born near Maroa and she at Linville, Illinois.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Craig have been married 56 years. He was born in Ohio and she in Austin Township. They have lived in present house 36 years.



The little girl in the pony cart is a great-granddaughter of John Crocker—who is believed to be the first permanent resident of Maroa. She still resides in Maroa.

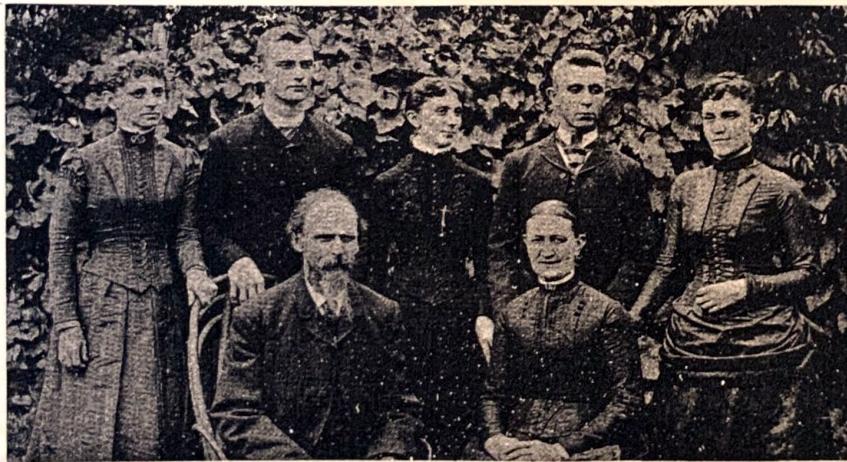


CHARLES SCHENCK

Charles Schenck was born in Franklin, Ohio, May 14, 1849, and came to Maroa, Illinois with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. J. Schenck, in 1854. Carrie Waller was born in Princeton, Ohio, October 12, 1860 and came to Maroa in 1874 with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Timothy Waller. Mr. Schenck and Miss Waller were married in Maroa on October 11, 1881. They had one daughter, Edna, who married W. Lee Kempshall on September 8, 1907. The Kempshalls have one son, Wayne S., who married Ruth M. Brown of Long Point, Illinois, on August 9, 1937. Wayne and his wife and children live in Decatur, Illinois. Their daughter, Ann, is eleven years old and their son, Robert Lee, is seven. These are the only great-grandchildren of Mr. and Mrs. Schenck. Mr. Schenck died March 11, 1923, and his wife died March 15, 1947.



TIMOTHY WALLER FAMILY



Waller Family—Timothy and Julia (seated)—Carrie, Bruce, Ella, Timothy, Jr., and Flora (standing)

Timothy Waller and his wife, Julia, brought their family of five children, Carrie, Flora, Ella, Timothy, Jr., and Bruce, from Princeton, Ohio, to Maroa November 18, 1874. They built a home on the corner where the Sinclair Station stands. The house still remains on the lot just south of the station. Timothy, Jr. was killed at the age of twenty-one but the rest of the family lived here for many years.

Carrie, the first daughter, was born in 1860. She married

Charles Schenck.

Flora was born in 1861. She married Nathan Crouch, who was born in Chicago in 1853 and came to Macon County when he was about fifteen years old. His father, John C. Crouch, was a State Veterinarian. The only son of Mr. and Mrs. Crouch, Rolla O., is a practicing dentist in Maroa. He has two sons and five grandchildren. Nathan Crouch died in 1933 and his wife in 1922.

Ella (1863-1936) was the wife of Frank Potter, who was born

to Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Potter in Maroa, November 23, 1858. Their son, Bruce, lives in Monrovia, California. His wife was Nettie Ferree. They have one daughter. Mr. Frank Potter was a contractor and built many of the homes in Maroa. He died in 1932.

Bruce was born in 1867. His wife, Martha Wykoff, was born west of Maroa in 1869. Their children are George, Fred and Phillip. There are five grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren. Mr. Waller died in 1950. Mrs. Waller survives and is eighty-five years old.



Martin J. Waller (1839-1927) was a brother of Timothy Waller and came from Ohio in 1874. He and his wife, Lucy M. Lockwood, were the parents of Leslie, Ollie, and Will.

Arthur Wykoff (1828-1909) came from Butler Co., O. He married Amanda Hilt and their children were Chas., Ed, Henry, Will and Callie. After the death of his first wife, he married Maria Jane Miller and their children were Martha, Kate, Jim and Joe.



to all who have been involved in the planning and preparation for the 1985 National Conference. That was one reason why we were able to have a successful meeting. The other reason was the hard work and dedication of our members who have been involved in the planning of the conference.

With new friends in the world, many new opportunities will open up for us to work together to help the world become a better place. This is what we are trying to do.

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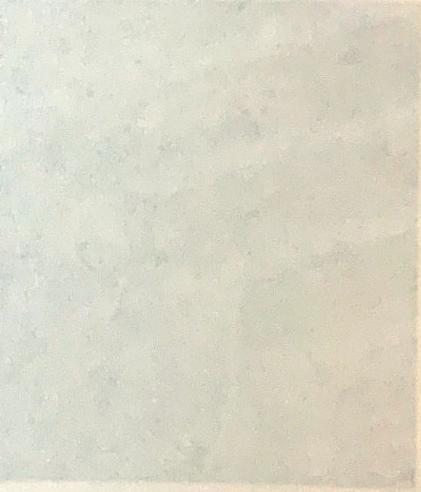
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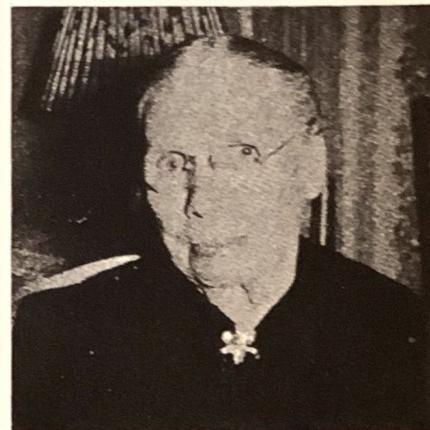
84 YEARS



Mrs. Martha Story was born near LeRoy, Illinois, March 16, 1865. She has made her home in Maroa the past eleven years. She has two children and two grandchildren.



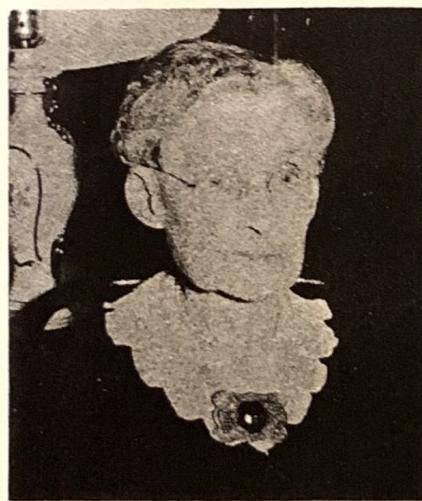
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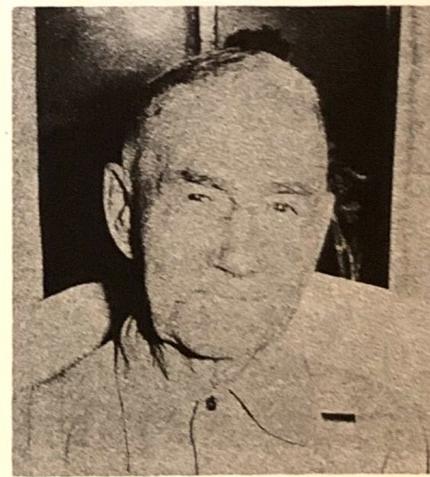
Miss Cora Cooper was born in Maroa Feb. 18, 1867.



Mrs. Lillian Hobbs was born in Springfield, Illinois, Oct. 3, 1863. She had four children, and three grandchildren.



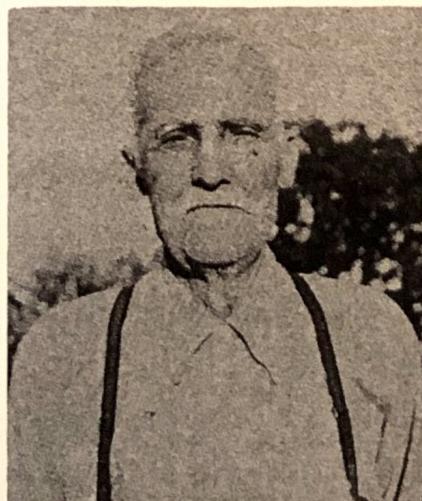
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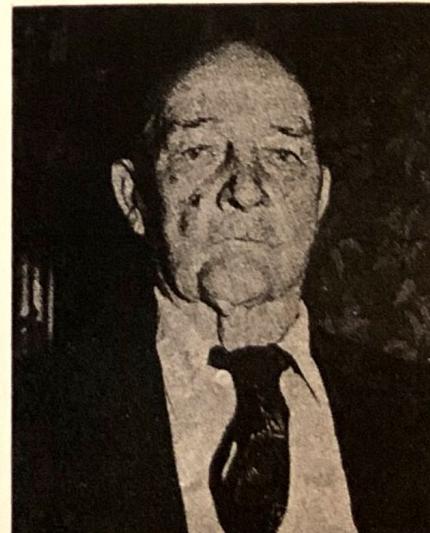
Mr. Derrick Braden three and a quarter miles south west of Maroa May 1, 1870. He has had seven children, eleven grandchildren, and six great-grandchildren.



Mr. Elias Tozer was born in Maroa March 20, 1863. He has two daughters, two granddaughters, eleven great-grandchildren and two great-great-grandchildren.



Mr. Willard L. Baker was born Jan. 14, 1870. He came to Maroa in 1938. He has five children, twelve grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.



Mr. Henry McGrath was born near Wapella Dec. 27, 1869. He has lived in Maroa the past twenty-five years.

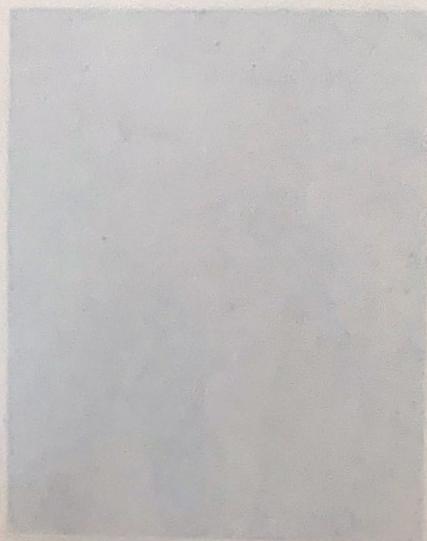
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and ozone levels have reached record high and will stay high. As for the ground level ozone though, city ground level ozone has been decreasing over time and will continue to do so.

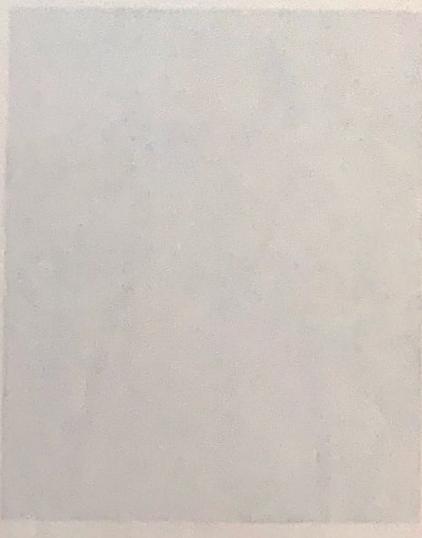
Keep a lung health checklist. You will not be able to keep ozone out of your lungs without the proper medication regimen and not 100% breathing away the ozone. Oxygen inhalation

with the most new ozone? Inhalation could help out here! All ozone removal is hard but ozone inhalation with medication could potentially bring things

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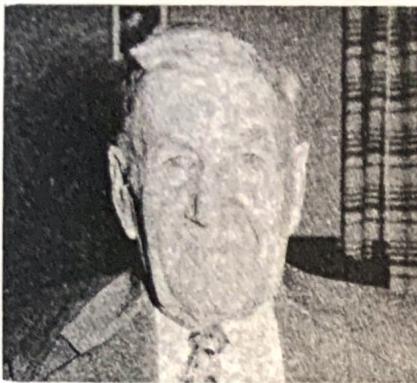


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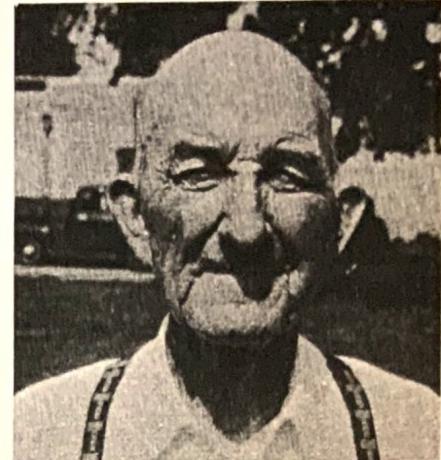
OR OLDER



Mr. Israel Donnelly was born in Cumberland Co., Pennsylvania, June 28, 1867, and has lived in Maroa for sixty-six years. He has one step-daughter, one grandson and two great-grandsons.



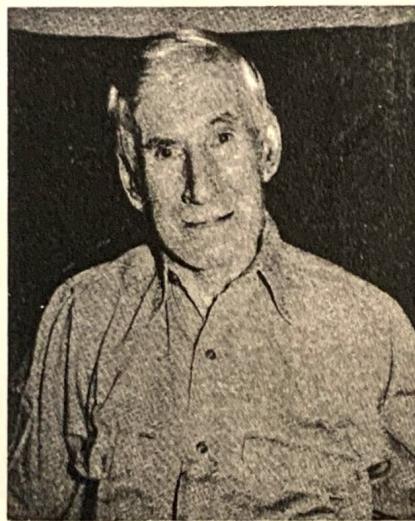
Mrs. Generva Shoemaker was born one and one half miles north east of Maroa Aug. 7, 1869. She had three children, five grandchildren, and seven great-grandchildren.



Mr. George Hosea Malone was born in Pinckneyville, Ill., Feb. 20, 1870. When he was one year old the family moved to Oreana and he has lived near or in Maroa since that time. He has eight living children, eleven grandchildren and three-great-grandchildren.



Miss Phoebe Michel was born six miles south west of Maroa Dec. 31, 1867.



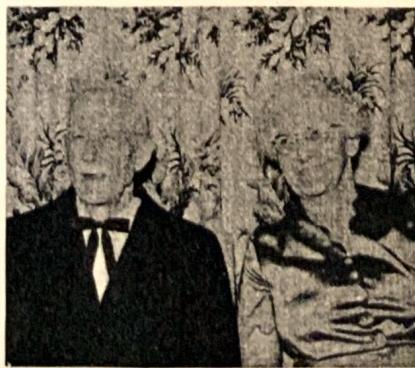
Mr. William H. Donnelly was born in Pennsylvania July 11, 1869. He came to Maroa sixty-six years ago.



Mrs. Rachel Rau was born in St. Francis Co., Missouri, May 20, 1856 and came to Maroa in 1920. She had seven children, twenty-four grandchildren, and thirty-nine great-grandchildren.



Mr. Ed Craig was born in Ohio May 5, 1870. He has been in Maroa for seventy-nine years.



Mr. Elias Tozer and Mrs. Nora (Tozer) Epperson of Attica, Indiana formerly of Maroa, are brother and sister.



Mr. Ord Fort was born in Montgomery Co., Ohio, Nov. 5, 1869 and came to Maroa in 1870. He has three children, seven grandchildren, and four great-grandchildren.

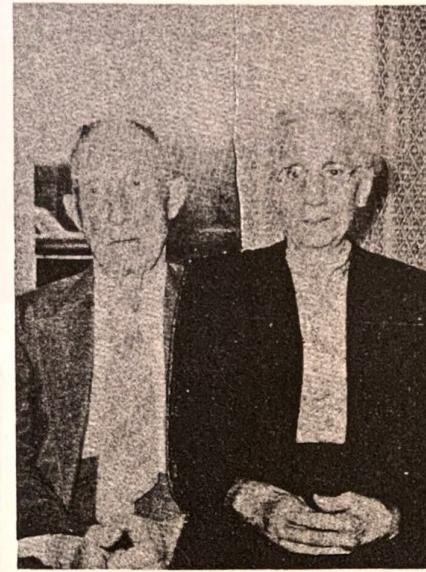


Mrs. Nettie Nesbitt Vaughn was born in Maroa Aug. 22, 1869. She has six children, eighteen grandchildren, and twenty-six great-grandchildren.

Mr. William Shaw was born five and one-half miles west of Maroa, Feb. 1, 1868. He had two daughters, two grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.



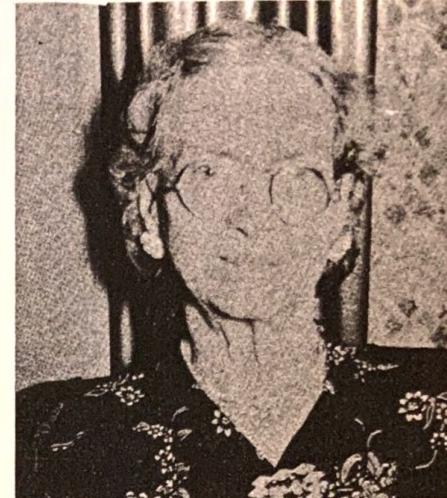
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Mr. and Mrs. Louis E. Rogers on their wedding day, April 21, 1871.



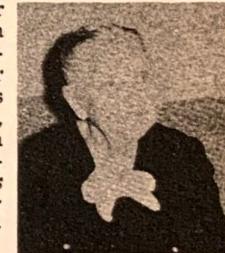
Mr. Louis E. Rogers was born near Bearsdale, Ill., May 8, 1867. Feb. 4, 1892 he married Anna C. Rau, who was born near Latham, April 21, 1871. They have had three children, three grandchildren and four great-grandchildren. They are Maroa's oldest married couple.



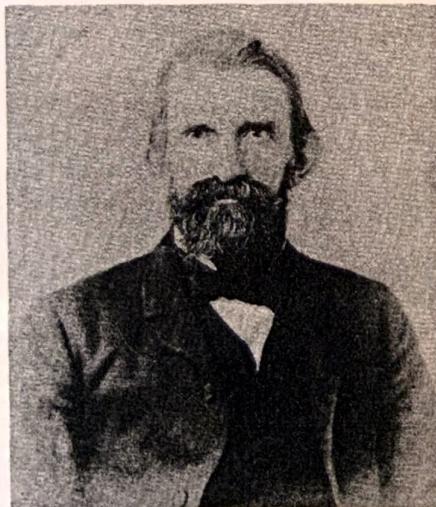
Mrs. Kate Berger was born in Maroa on Jan. 20, 1870. She has had five children, twenty-two grandchildren, forty-two great-grandchildren, and seven great-great-grandchildren.



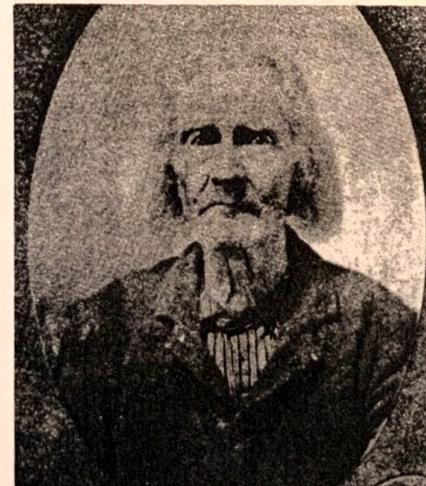
Mrs. Emily Myers was born near Kenney, Illinois, Dec. 20, 1869. She has been in Maroa thirty-seven years. She has one daughter and one granddaughter.



Mrs. Anna Bricker Crawford was born in Coshocton County, Ohio, October 19, 1867. She has three children, three grandchildren and 6 great-grandchildren. She has lived most of her life in Macon County.



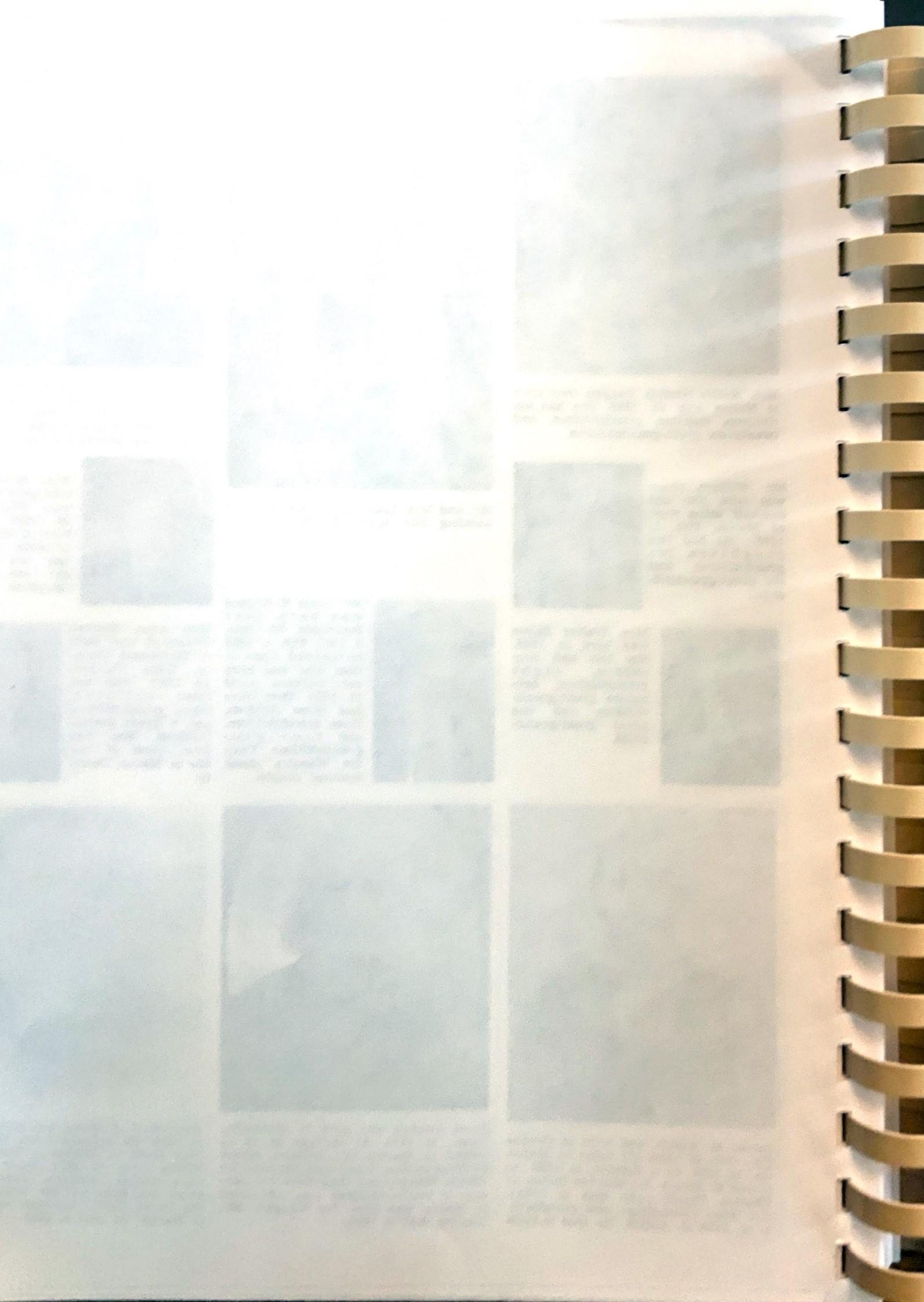
James B. Austin was born in Greene Co., Ohio in 1829. He came to Macon Co. in 1856 as a farmer, in 1892 he moved to Maroa. He was the father of Charles, Frank (who died in 1953), and Anna (Wendling), and grandfather of John O. Austin. He died in 1919.

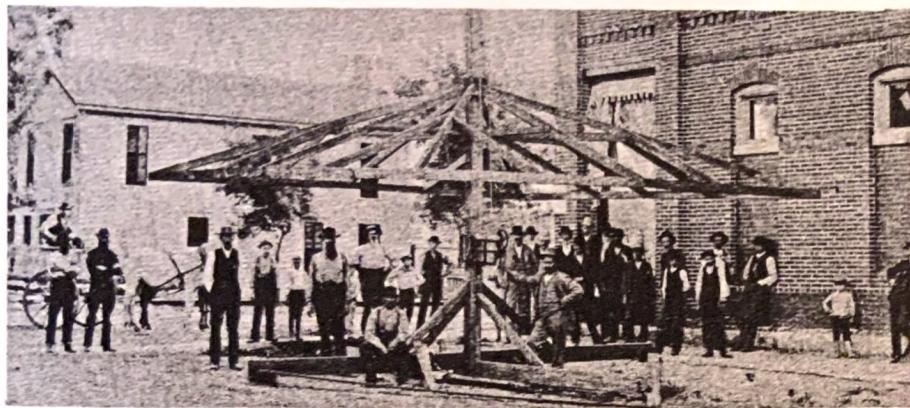


Jesse Luallen was born in Knoxville, Tenn., in 1816. At the age of 12 he moved to Martin Co., Indiana, where he lived until a young man. He married Rhoda Manley and they were the parents of twelve children. One, who lived in Maroa was Mrs. Joe Vaughn. Mr. Luallen died in 1903.

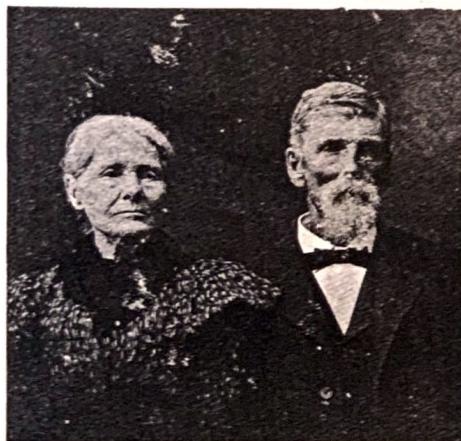


Andrew C. J. Bolen was born in Ohio in 1829. He married Lydia Baker and they came to Illinois in 1866 and to Maroa Twp. in 1872. Their children were Arthur, Armenia, Hester, Margaret, and Robert D. Mr. Bolen farmed the David Davis land four miles west of Maroa. He died in 1880.

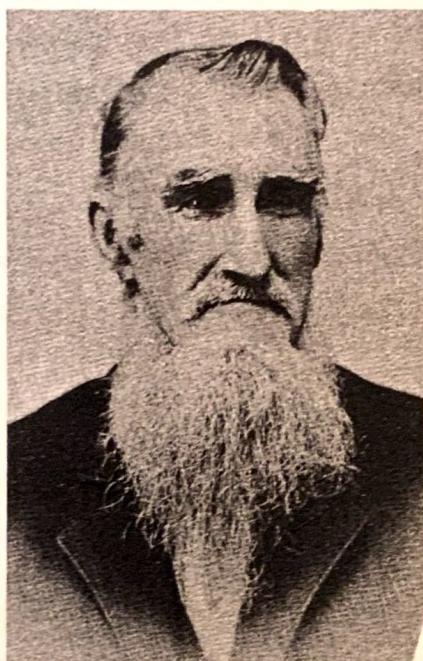




Smith's Corner and Schenck House, July 3, 1886



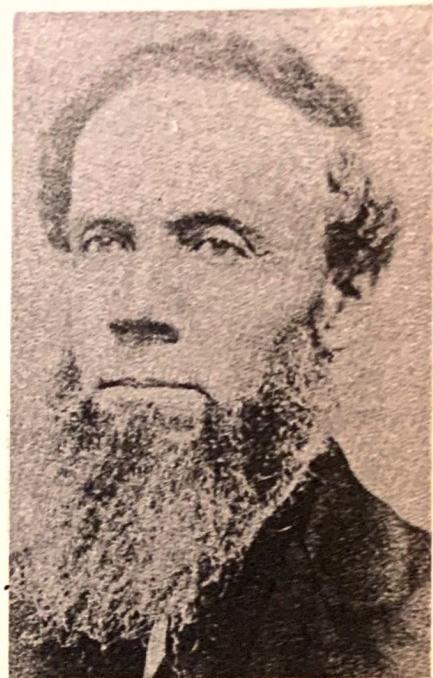
Mr. and Mrs. William McGuire, Grandparents of William C. McGuire.



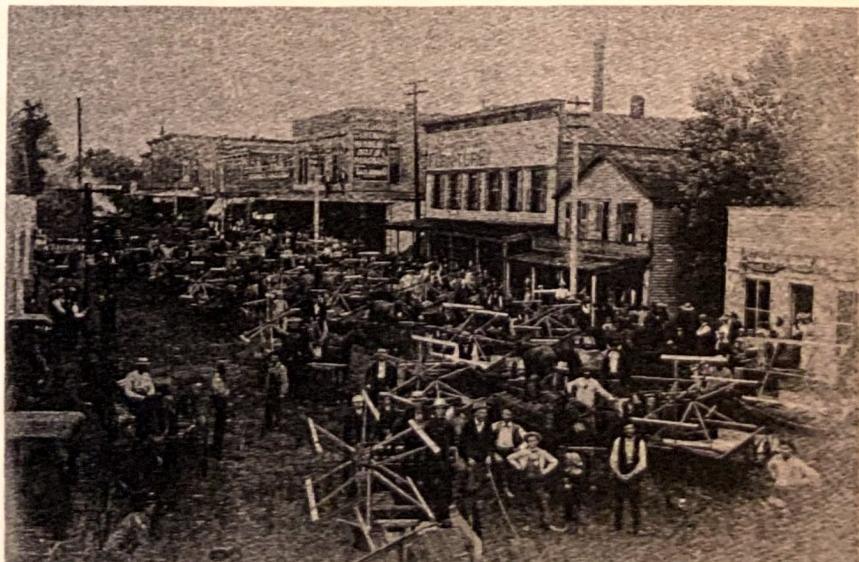
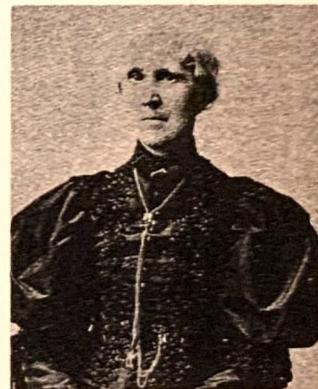
Lorenzo D. Hobbs, an early settler west of Maroa, was born in Maine. He was a brother-in-law of C. F. Emery, their wives being sisters. Mr. and Mrs. Hobbs moved to Maroa when he retired from farming.



Jacob W. Manly was born near Rutledge, Tennessee, in 1843. He came to Morgan Co., Ill. in 1864, married Elizabeth Liter in 1870 and came to Macon Co. in 1872. He settled four and three-quarters miles east of Maroa and remained there until his death in 1928. Mr. Manly and his first wife were the parents of eight children Cordelia (Slider), Effie (Cade), Maude (Schultz), Oscar, A. R. (Bert), Florinda (Query), Lewis and Mabel (Lancaster). After his wife's death in 1886, he married Mary Huffman and to them were born Nellie (Luckenbill) and Ruth (Parr). His third wife was Mary E. Crumley.



Peter Baird, 1815-1880. Father of Sarah (Lyons), Lydia (Potter), Elizabeth (Cox), Laura (Stoutenborough), and Arabella (Crocker).

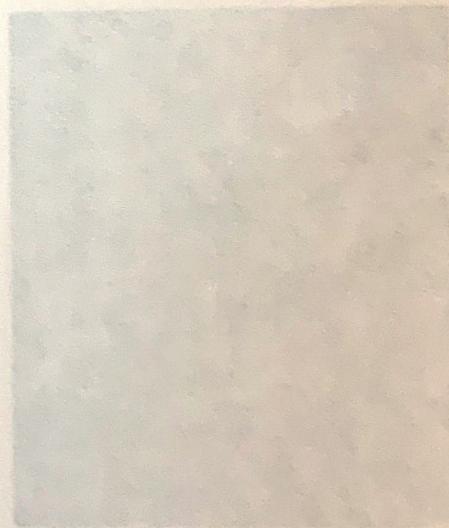
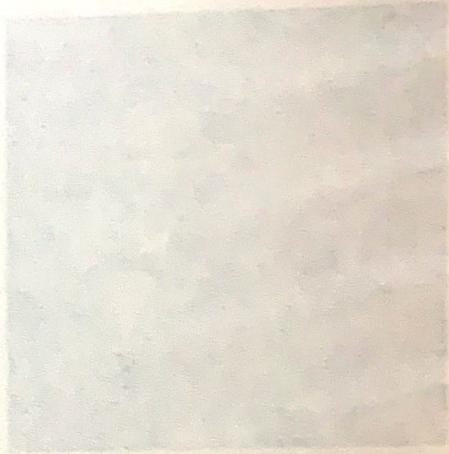
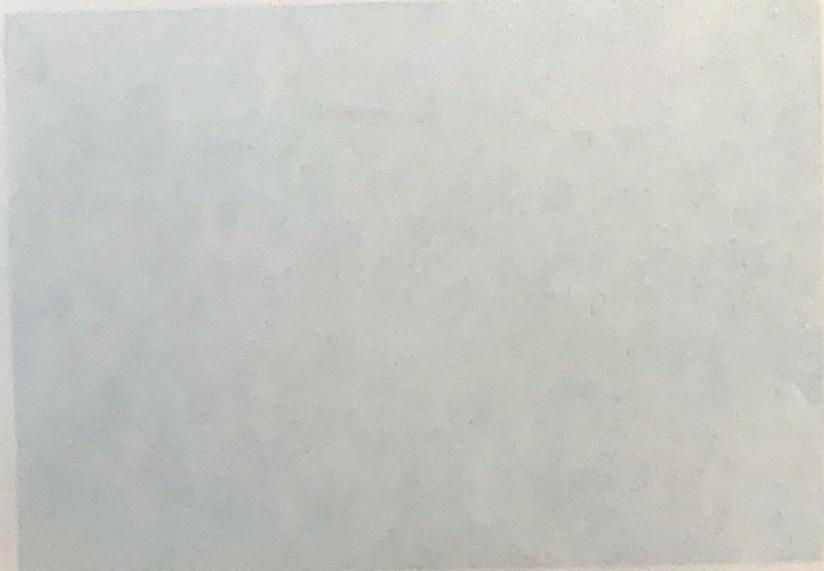


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Explanation

It will be noticed that some families have lengthy histories while other families are mentioned briefly. The families who have extensive histories paid for same on a page basis.

Mistakes will have been made, but it was not intentional and it is hoped that everyone will overlook them.

Thank You

To each and everyone for the cooperation in helping with the Maroa Centennial.

To the various organizations, newspapers, business firms, city officials, churches, schools, the advertisers and the many individuals who have given of their time and energy in an effort to make a memorable success of Maroa's Centennial.

It is hoped that all will have received a better understanding of our own people, their problems and that the future years will bring a better united community for the good of the people.

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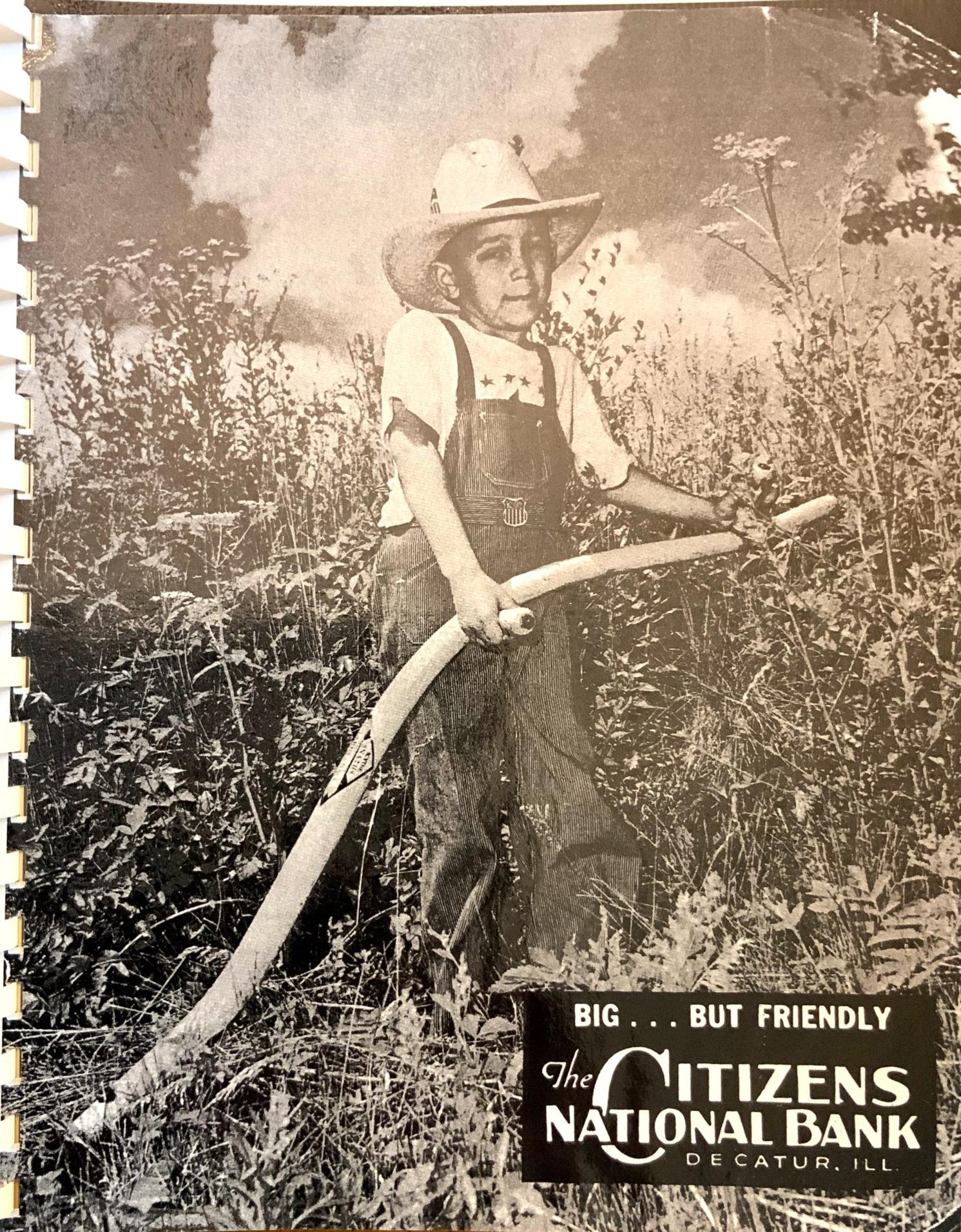
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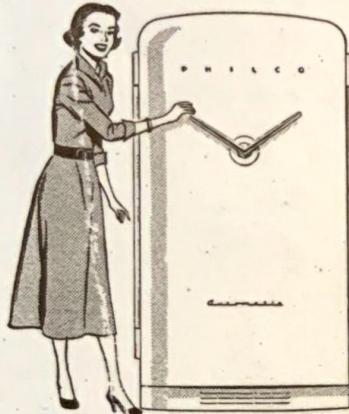
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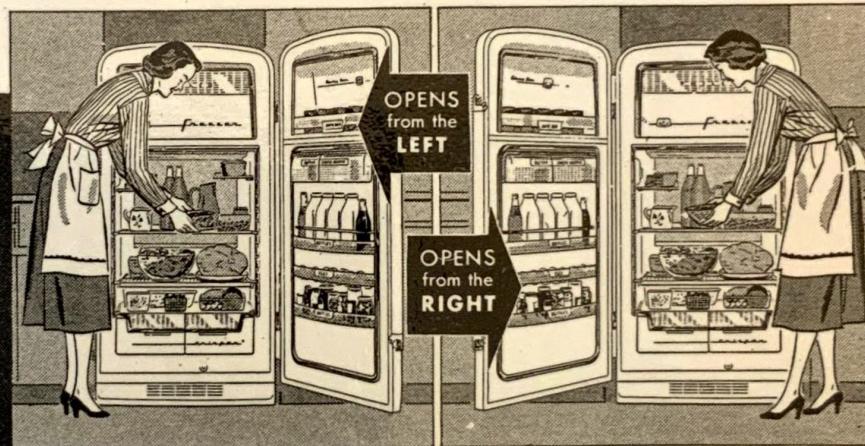
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